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BAPTISTS AND MARRIAGE LAW

RESOLUTION BEFORE UNION CONVENTION

Taxation of Church Property— Control of Foreign Mis- sion Work

Vancouver, Jan. 31.—While a considerable amount of business was transacted at yesterday's session of the Baptist Union, which was long and arduous, extending to 11 o'clock in the evening instead of concluding in the afternoon, there was still much left unfinished after a great deal of discussion, and an extra session was called for this morning.

Probably the most important matter decided was the change in the by-laws governing educational matters, so that a central board of education consisting of twenty-one members will hereafter take over the duties of the Okanagan and Brandon college boards and the general board of education. This board will have power to appoint executive sub-committees for the two colleges, the aim of it being to promote co-operation between the different Baptist educational institutions. A long debate, which sometimes became personal in tone, preceded the passage of this resolution, which carried by a two-thirds majority.

It was also proposed to appoint a new body to have charge of the Baptist foreign mission work for the whole of Canada. The ratification of this, together with the list of officers presented by the nominating committee, was left for to-day.

The apportionment of the budget for 1912, after some discussion, was left in the hands of a committee which will report to-day, consisting of Rev. Mr. Freeman, of Alberta; Rev. Mr. Leitch, of British Columbia; Rev. W. P. Reekie, of Saskatchewan; and Rev. W. J. McCormick, of Manitoba. A proposed apportionment of the \$50,000 estimate for the four western provinces was as follows: Foreign missions, \$11,500; home missions, \$32,000; educational, \$6,500.

A number of resolutions were brought in by the committee appointed for that purpose, one being to the effect that the federal parliament alone should possess the power to pass laws regulating marriage, and asking for the passage of such legislation. Another resolution strongly deprecated any effort being made to secure exemption of church property from ordinary community taxes, a request being added that a copy of this resolution be sent to Premier McBride, with reference to the application of certain Protestant churches of late for such exemption. A resolution providing for the building of a memorial church for the late Rev. Alexander McDonald in Edmonton was passed.

The retirement from the presidency of Brandon college was regretfully accepted and a vote of thanks to Dr. McDiarmid in recognition of his past services was tendered.

Election of officers for the Baptist Women's Missionary Society resulted as follows: President, Mrs. William Findlay, of Winnipeg; vice-presidents, Mrs. J. G. Lee, of Winnipeg; Mrs. J. C. Sweeney, of Calgary; Mrs. Postill, of New Westminster; Mrs. S. J. Farrer, of Regina; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. C. Bowen, of Winnipeg; treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Clark, of Winnipeg; recording secretary, Mrs. C. D. Stovel, of Winnipeg.

An appropriation of \$7,500 for the year 1912 to cover all purposes was also approved.

MONTREAL HARBOR COMMISSION.

Montreal, Jan. 31.—At the annual meeting of the Montreal board of trade the members declared themselves very strongly in favor of retention in office of the present Montreal harbor commission, irrespective of parliament's opinion. Resolutions dealing with the proposed exploiting of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa rivers for power purposes, strongly opposing the endangering of these waters for navigation purposes and advocating that if necessary the government should take up the whole matter in the interests of the public, so as to secure cheap power, while at the same time preserving the interests of navigation, were passed.

ROBBED BY LONE BANDIT.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 31.—A lone highwayman held up the night clerk and six guests at the Winchester hotel early to-day and escaped with \$875.

The man registered, as B. Hardy, Denver, Colo. He covered Thomas N. Tved, the clerk, with a revolver, bound and gagged him and took the keys of the cash drawer. He was looting the till when the elevator operator walked into the lobby. He in turn, was ordered to halt by the highwayman, as were the six guests who entered a few minutes later. The robber then emptied the cash drawer and made his escape.

FIRE DESTROYS HOTEL.

Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 31.—The Mont-
comin Hotel block was destroyed by
fire last night with a loss of \$400,000.

WET GRAIN IS SERIOUS PROBLEM

WESTERN FARMERS SUFFER HEAVY LOSS

Hundreds of Thousands of Bushels Exposed for Want to Storage Facilities

Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—Wet grain in the west is declared to be a serious problem just now. Hundreds of thousands of bushels have been exposed to the weather all winter for want of storage facilities. At Verigin, Sask., in one pile is 500,000 bushels covered with snow. This belongs to the Doukhobour colony.

"It is not a question," said a grain man to-day, "of the ruin of an individual. It is a question of the ruin of whole districts. We are on the verge of the worst calamity which has ever happened in Western Canada. From 15 to 20 per cent. of the crop of grain which have come into Winnipeg have been wet, damp or tough. The same proportion of the grain in the western country, still undelivered, must be in a similar condition. A few days of warm weather would destroy the value of every bushel of this grain. To-day I heard of an elevator with 25,000 bushels which had already all gone bad. The same thing may happen in a month to 10,000,000 bushels of wheat and to similar quantities of flax, oats and barley. What this would mean to our western interests it is difficult to conceive."

Marketing Grain.

To date 76,128,000 bushels of grain have been marketed on the C. P. R. as against 55,515,990 bushels for the same period last year. Of the former total 61,740,000 bushels are wheat and 14,388,000 bushels are of other grains. Of the 55,515,990 bushels, 43,697,600 bushels are wheat, and 11,817,000 bushels are other grain. On Saturday the company marketed 228,999 bushels of wheat and 92,000 bushels of other grain.

To Interview Minister.

R. C. Henders, president, and R. McKenzie secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, have gone to Ottawa to meet the minister of trade and commerce in connection with the grain bill that is now before the house. They were instructed by the recent convention to press for the acquisition by the government of all terminal elevators at Fort William and Montreal.

UNITED STATES CLAIMS ISLAND

Question of Sovereignty Over Palmyra May Be Submitted to Arbitration

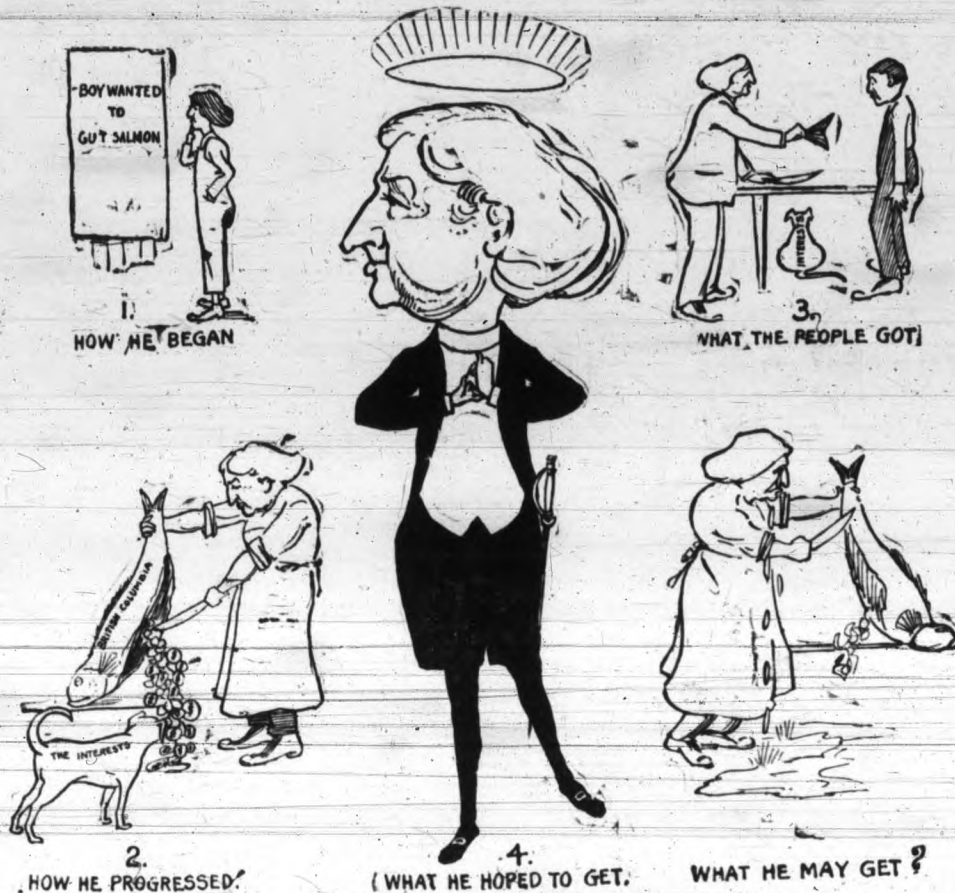
Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—There is every indication that the American state department will resist any attempt of the British syndicate or of the British government to assert sovereignty over the Palmyra Island, in the Pacific Ocean. The United States and Great Britain may have to submit to international arbitration the question of sovereignty.

Governor Frazar of Hawaii yesterday notified the state department that the island long has been in the possession of Judge Henry E. Cooper of the Hawaiian supreme court, who was much disturbed over the report that Great Britain was about to claim title. The department has undertaken an investigation, which thus far has disclosed that while existing charts show the island to be British by virtue of its annexation in 1859 by Captain Nichols of the British gunboat Comorant, the island had previously been annexed to the Hawaiian kingdom in 1822 and the commission appointed by President McKinley in 1898 to take over the Hawaiian Islands in that year annexed to the United States specifically included Palmyra Island as part of Hawaii.

REPORTED CONFESSION.

Former Detective Reported to Have Implicated Attorney Darrow.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—The Examiner to-day says that Burr H. Franklin, former confidential agent for the defense in the McNamara case, made a detailed confession of alleged jury-bribery in which he implicated Attorney Darrow on January 14. The confession is said to have been made to assistant District Attorney Ford during the course of an automobile ride outside of the city and in the presence of a third party. The same paper states that the \$4,000 alleged to have been paid to Jurors Bain and Lockwood by Franklin was brought to Los Angeles from the east by a man who will be indicted before the grand jury concludes its investigation. The next move in the case will be the release of Franklin on his own recognizance, so that he may accompany an officer east for the purpose of aiding in the apprehension of the man alleged to have furnished the bribe-money. This will be followed by the indefinite postponement of the case against Franklin.



AFTER SCALP OF R. G. MACPHERSON

H. H. Stevens Will Demand Resignation of Vancouver's Postmaster

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—It is understood that H. H. Stevens, M.P. for Vancouver, has demanded the resignation of Postmaster R. G. Macpherson of Vancouver, on the alleged ground that he expressed an opinion which Mr. Stevens takes derogatory to himself, shortly before the last federal election. The report that Mr. Stevens is after the official scalp of the Vancouver postmaster caused a good deal of surprise and interest here for Mr. Macpherson was formerly member for Vancouver and is very well known here.

The western members are wondering what it was that Mr. Stevens thinks that Mr. Macpherson said about him. Mr. Macpherson's friends point out that he has a fine record as postmaster and was particularly complimented by the House last session by the then postmaster-general, Hon. Mr. Lemieux.

STRIKE LEADER IS IN CUSTODY

Arrested in Connection With Murder of Woman at Lawrence, Mass.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 31.—The arrest last night of Joseph J. Etter, leader of the strikers, and his associate, Arturo Giovanni, editor of a New York Socialist paper, on a charge of being accessories in the murder of Anna Loppese, an Italian woman shot Monday night, apparently had little effect in the strike situation. Col. Sweetster, in command of the military forces, announced to-day that he would not allow the strikers to parade at the funeral of Anna Loppese. At the request of Strike Leader Etter yesterday, Col. Sweetster gave permission to parade, but since the arrest of two of the principal leaders in the strike has decided to withdraw it.

John Nullen, a Haverhill labor man, conferred with Etter in the latter's cell in the police station, for more than an hour early to-day, and afterward stated that Etter desired the strikers not to make a demonstration because of his arrest and wished them not to attempt to parade at the funeral of Anna Loppese. Through the night the police station was guarded by a company of infantry to prevent a possible attack, rumors of which followed Etter's arrest.

Police men and militiamen also were stationed inside the building.

BARRED DOOR TO OFFICERS.

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Barring the door of her home on Lavergne avenue against the health officers, Mrs. Convielen, suffering from smallpox, had to be taken from the house by a policeman after the door had been forced.

TO INVESTIGATE LABOR DISPUTES

INDUSTRIAL PEACE COMMISSION PLANNED

Draft Bill Will Be Submitted to Premier McBride Next Week

Vancouver, Jan. 31.—An advanced step has been taken by the directors of the Canadian Industrial Peace Association looking to the establishment of permanent industrial peace in British Columbia. A bill has been drafted by the association, for legislative enactment which provides for the appointment of an industrial peace commission empowered to investigate labor disputes in their inception, or before either a strike or a lockout has actually taken place, the commission to have the right and power to subpoena witnesses and take testimony under oath and publish the facts for the information of the public and render decisions in accordance with the facts brought out in evidence.

Mr. Scullin, the association's general secretary and manager, has just returned from Victoria where, by order of the directors, he has been to make arrangements with Premier McBride for the reception of a delegation of the Industrial Peace Association, representatives of New Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria. It is expected that a strong delegation will leave here for Victoria on Thursday so as to meet the Victoria gentlemen at the Dominion Hotel at 11 a. m. on Wednesday and from there proceed to the legislative building.

SUSPECTED ROBBER

FIGHTS EXTRADITION

Charles Dean, Now Held at Los Angeles, Well Supplied With Funds

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—A determined fight against extradition will be made here for alleged complicity in the robbery of the Bank of Montreal at New Westminster on September 17, of \$250,000. Dean is supposed to have received a large sum of money from some mysterious source and his attorneys assert that if his hearing on March 5 results in an order for his removal to British Columbia, the case will be carried to the secretary of state and to the president if necessary.

FOR FAMINE SUFFERERS.

Salem, Ore., Jan. 31.—At the request of President Taft, received by wire, Governor West has issued a proclamation urging the people of Oregon to aid in supplying the necessities of life to the famine-stricken people of China.

GOLD DESK SET FOR SIR WILFRID

Presented to Liberal Leader by His Admirers in the Yukon

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—A handsome testimonial of their regard for Sir Wilfrid Laurier was made yesterday by the Liberals of the Yukon, on behalf of whom Fred Congdon, ex-M.P., presented Sir Wilfrid with an address and desk set on behalf of his northern admirers. The articles are unique. There is a paper-cutter of solid gold with a northern scene worked out in gold upon the handle. A golden sun is shown rising behind hills of gold, about the feet of which spruce is growing and a silver river runs with miners' cabins planted along it and a big moose coming down for a drink. There is a gold inkbottle and the address is contained in a moose skin case which has pick, shovel and pan burned upon it. From the pan nuggets of real gold are spilling.

REPLIES TO CHARGE BY H. H. STEVENS

President Falconer Says Com- mittee is Not Concerned With Sikh Immigration

Toronto, Jan. 31.—President Falconer of the University of Toronto, interviewed with reference to the charge of H. H. Stevens, member from Vancouver, said:

"About ten days ago I went to Ottawa to visit the Normal School in connection with an educational matter. While in Ottawa I met a special committee who are seeking information about the Sikhs and their family life in order to consider what justification exists, if any, for keeping Sikh wives separated from their husbands who are in Canada."

"The committee, which is of a private, not public, origin, is concerned only with this problem, not with Sikh immigration in a general way, and its deliberations have been purely public nor of political significance. At Ottawa I also met Mr. Stevens, but as I said, I went to the capital on business other than meeting with the private committee mentioned. This committee has nothing to do with a public meeting and I simply had no right then to arrange for a public meeting in Toronto on behalf of the Sikhs."

WOMEN ACTIVE IN ELECTION.

Montreal, Jan. 31.—Ladies' committee rooms have been opened by the Local Council of Women in St. Lawrence, St. Joseph and St. Ann's wards, where they are taking an active part in the municipal elections. There are six hundred women voters in St. Lawrence, St. Joseph's has 400 voters and there are about 400 women with the franchise in St. Ann's. The headquarters are at 211 Ottawa street.

DRIVEN FROM HOME BY LLOYD GEORGE

ENGLISH CLERGYMAN COMING TO CANADA

Declares He Sees No Future for Family in the Old Country

London, Jan. 31.—Rev. W. E. Walker, rector of Prant, Sussex, with his wife, Lady Emily Walker, daughter of the Marquis of Hartford, with their five children and maid and footman, have announced they will sail for Canada in July. They intend to take forty acres near Vancouver where Mr. Walker will engage in dairy-farming and Lady Emily will raise chickens in which pursuit she has been interested for years.

"There are two reasons for my going to America," said Mr. Walker. "The first is that under Lloyd George we're taxed out of existence, and I see no future in this country. I wish we had left long ago."

Lady Emily backed up her husband. "If you make money," she said, "Lloyd George can't run away with it."

Then Mr. Walker continued: "It is the children we are thinking of and that's the second cause of our starting in life afresh. In that wonderful country over the sea, we shall all be able to settle down together and my boys will have a fair chance of making good in the world."

"I shall attend to the poultry," Lady Emily said "and my husband will superintend the dairy and of course the children will be brought up on the farm."

TEN KILLED BY BOMB.

Eight Others Injured By Explosion in Town in Macedonia.

Constantinople, Jan. 31.—Another serious bomb outrage occurred last night in Macedonia. The explosive was thrown into the centre of a detachment of military police in the town of Badovisht, thirty-seven miles northwest of Monastir, and the police commissary, a lieutenant of the army reserve, and eight policemen were instantly killed, while eight other policemen, including the commander, were severely wounded.

A Bulgarian has been arrested as the author of the outrage.

RECEPTION TO THE KING AND QUEEN

Programme Will Not Be Al- tered—The Court in Mourning

London, Jan. 30.—The King has sent a message to the lord chamberlain that he does not desire any alterations in the plans for his reception at Portsmouth and London, or in the Thanksgiving service at St. Paul's, except that the court will be in mourning.

Message From President Taft.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—President Taft yesterday ordered that the following message of sympathy be sent to King George on the death in Egypt of the Duke of Fife:

"I extend to you my sincere condolence in the sorrow that has come to your family in the death of the Duke of Fife."

(Sgd.) WILLIAM H. TAFT.

APPEALS FOR PROTECTION.

British Consul Asks That Troops Be Sent to Persian Armenia and Eastern Turkestan.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—As a result of the disorders in Urumiah, Persian Armenia and Kuldja, eastern Turkestan, the British consul at Kasgar has requested troops from India for the protection of British subjects. There have been numerous skirmishes between Kurds and Russians occupying these districts, and the whole country is in a condition of turmoil.

ENGINEER DROWNED.

Long Beach, Cal., Jan. 31.—Clyde Tibbets, aged 31, engineer of the launch Camiguin, while showing a party of tourists the sights at Portu-
guese Bend, midway between San Pedro and Redondo, was washed off the rocks yesterday by a huge wave and drowned. His body was not recovered. Tibbets and several others had landed on the rocks from the launch and saw a swell coming. Tibbets warned them just in time for them to get aboard but could not save himself.

SMALLPOX IN ASYLUM.

Brockville, Jan. 31.—Smallpox has broken out in the insane asylum here. So far two cases have developed.

ABDICATION EDICT REPORTED SIGNED

IMPERIAL FAMILY ACCEPTS TERMS OF REPUBLICANS

Victorious Rebel Army Con- tinues March—Panic at Tien Tsin

London, Jan. 31.—The edict of abdication of the throne has been signed, according to a message received from Tien Tsin.

The court will not leave Peking for a month, as the Manchou troops of the garrison threaten to shoot the royal family and the princes if they attempt to leave the capital.

A terrible panic among the officials in Tien Tsin caused many of them to seek shelter to-day in the foreign consessions. Martial law has been proclaimed in the native city. The mayor has resigned and fearing that the lives of the members of his family were endangered, has sent them to the French consession.

The armistice between the Imperialists and Republicans which was officially renewed yesterday is being disregarded by the Republican troops, according to a news agency dispatch received here to-day from Tien Tsin.

The Republican army is following up the advantage it gained at Kucheng, where it defeated the Imperial forces commanded by Chang Hsun on Tuesday. The victorious rebel army is now marching towards the city of Suichow, on the Tien Tsin-Pukow railroad. Mongolian agents are now endeavoring to negotiate for the purchase of arms and ammunition at New Chang, the Manchurian seaport. Prince Na left this morning.

Will Receive Pensions.

Peking, Jan. 31.—The Imperial foreign board announces that the empress dowager informed the members of the cabinet at their meeting in the palace to-day that the throne had decided on a solution of the situation which would insure peace. She informed the ministers to arrange accordingly.

It is understood that the Imperial family has accepted the conditions laid down by the Republicans and that the abdication will be announced at once. According to these terms the Imperial family and princes are to retain their empty titles, reside in Peking or elsewhere at their pleasure and receive annual pensions aggregating 3,000,000 taels (\$2,000,000), and that the transfer of power will be effected with as little loss of dignity to the throne as possible.

Premier Yuan says he has no fear for the country's future, if the settlement is the fruit of reason, truth and justice. He further says he has no ambition to become president.

Many soldiers were killed by the explosion of a dynamite mine under an Imperialist troop train which was proceeding from Shaoan, 30 miles north of Hankow, to Ho Nan.

A bomb was thrown at the Viceroy, who was travelling on another train, but it struck the car adjoining, killing a number of soldiers but not injuring the Viceroy.

General Liang Pi, a former commandant of the Imperial guards, who was injured on January 27th by a bomb thrown by a Chinaman while the general was alighting from his car, passed away at his home in Peking, has since died.

Imperial Outposts Defeated.

Nanking, Jan. 31.—It is asserted in authoritative quarters that information has been received that the throne has issued a private edict indicating that abdication is pending.

Premier Yuan is now said to be merely waiting until the Chinese troops in Peking have been sufficiently strengthened to insure their absolute control of the Manchou troops in the garrison.

Wang Chung Wei and Chin Chien Tao, Republican foreign and finance ministers, called to-day on Rear-Admiral Murdock, commander of the United States Asiatic fleet on board the Rainbow. Admiral Murdock probably will return the call.

No reports have been received here of serious fighting between the Imperialists and Republicans. Chang Hsun, commander of the Imperialists, has not made any forward movement with his main force, but his outposts have come in contact with and been defeated by the Republican advance guard.

MAN DRINKS POISON.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 31.—While his wife, son and daughter were attending a dance last night, Gus Klein, proprietor of a butcher shop, and an old resident of Spokane, committed suicide by taking poison. His body was found lying in bed when Mrs. Klein returned home shortly after midnight last night. Klein was a member of several fraternal orders. No reason is ascribed for his action.

INVENTOR ENDS LIFE.

New York, Jan. 31.—Andries Bevier, an inventor, 69 years old, committed suicide in his room here yesterday. A son, Labola Bevier, lives in Spokane, Wash.

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WESTERN ROUTE FOR ALBERTA GRAIN

Representative of Farmers Confers With Premier—Manitoba Boundary

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—E. J. Frean, secretary of the United Farmers of Alberta, who is here to-day, is conferring with the government on the question of establishing a western train route for the wheat products of Alberta. He proposes that the terminal elevators should be built at Calgary and Edmonton, and that the wheat be carried in steamers to connect with the Tehuantepec railway pending the completion of the Panama Canal.

Premier Roblin and Attorney-General Campbell of Manitoba conferred with Premier Borden yesterday in regard to the Manitoba boundary extension. Financial terms were the chief matters under consideration.

Owing to the death of the Duke of Fife, the Duke of Connaught has announced that he will not attend any public functions for one month.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

Former Cashier Testifies at Trial of Portland Banker.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 31.—Resuming his testimony in the trial of Louis J. Wilde, charged with embezzlement from the funds of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, W. Cooper Morris, former cashier, who pleaded guilty to the indictment against him, said Wilde showed him only one contract authorizing the sale by Wilde of the Omaha Telephone bonds for the Union Telephone Construction Company. That agreement permitted Wilde to sell the bonds at 80 cents on the dollar net to the construction company, provided the entire block of 500,000 was disposed of to one investor or syndicate. Morris testified that Wilde was in Portland in May, 1907, where the telephone bonds were delivered to the bank and certificates of deposit, to the amount of \$500,000 were issued in their payment. These certificates, according to Morris, were made out to S. A. Reed, treasurer of the construction company, including a certificate of deposit for \$100,000, being the commission on the deal. This later was endorsed by Reed and deposited by Wilde to the credit of his own account, said Morris. Of the \$100,000, Messrs. Stowe and Graves of the construction company received \$10,000 and Morris was to receive \$5,000 in cash and \$40,000 in Puget Sound or Tacoma Telephone bonds.

Morris "recalled" that Wilde must have drawn a cheque for \$50,000 in the name of the bank, and that afterward Morris made out a deposit slip and had the amount placed to the credit of his personal account.

Neither the cheque alluded to nor the deposit slip which would have been used in the ordinary course of banking business was produced by the state in support of this portion of Morris' testimony.

Morris testified that he disposed of the \$40,000 worth of telephone bonds for \$25,500. Some of the securities were sold outright for cash while others were traded for property or used in cancelling obligations.

TWO-MILE TUNNEL.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 31.—With but the variance of an inch, the two crews boring the two-mile tunnel at the headwaters of the Tacoma municipal power plant at the Nisqually Canyon between Alder and Larrande, thirty miles south of Tacoma, came together in the centre of the bore after working eighteen months. Its cost is estimated at \$300,000. The tunnel is ten feet high and eight and one-half feet wide. It will be lined with concrete. The tunnel will convey the water from the settling basin and intake at Alder down to a steel pipe crossing the Nisqually canyon on a bridge through an other short tunnel under the Tacoma Eastern Railway into the Estuary.

NEW LINE PLANNED.

Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—The Canadian Northern Railway is now surveying another line which will give a direct freight haul from Portage to the head of the lakes, without having to go through Winnipeg and also a more direct line to Emerson and thus to Minneapolis. The projected line will go south from this city to Carman and then east to Morris, and from there will connect with the line to Caliente from Emerson to South Junction on the main line.

CHARGE AGAINST CLARENCE DARROW

Trial of Attorney Not Likely to Take Place Until June

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—Although acting with all celerity, the prosecution in the case of Clarence S. Darrow, accused of jury-bribery, does not expect to bring him to trial on the two indictments against him for a long time. Meanwhile the county grand jury will continue its probe.

District Attorney Ford, who conducted the bribery investigation, declared yesterday that strutting developments wholly apart from Darrow, concerning only the conspiracy phase of the alleged national dynamiting operations of J. J. McNamara and his "wrecking crew" might be expected at any time.

While extending to Darrow every personal courtesy, the assistants of District Attorney Fredericks are bent on procuring Darrow's conviction on the charges that he bribed Robert F. Bain, a sworn juror, and George N. Lockwood, a venireman, although the actual passing of the money, it is alleged, was entrusted to Detective Eurt H. Franklin, who is scheduled to be tried on similar charges in February.

Arthur Keetch, an assistant district attorney, said yesterday that several weeks would be necessary to prepare for the trial.

"Darrow will be brought to the bar in less than two months," he predicted. Keetch also declared that the case would be pressed with all vigor.

This statement echoed messages received from District Attorney Fredericks who is sojourning in Florida. Repeating the words of his chief, Keetch asserted that the case in the hands of the state was conclusive and that Darrow would not escape.

Earl Rogers, Darrow's chief counsel, said that judging from the condition of the court calendar, the trial could not be started until June.

"We shall probably ask for abundant time in which to plead," said Rogers, "but shall not make a technical fight, though we shall make all preliminary motions which we deem necessary to prove Darrow's rights. So far as the defense is concerned, the trial will be conducted on a high plane."

Rogers declined to discuss the rumor that Eurt H. Franklin, the McNamara detective charged with jury-bribery, had made admissions to the state which were the basis of the indictments against Darrow.

"But I recall cases where confessions were made and where acquittals were made nevertheless," said Rogers, adding that he referred to the San Francisco graft cases.

GORED TO DEATH BY BUFFALO.

Omaha, Jan. 31.—Nels P. Anderson, aged 63, keeper of the zoo in River-view park, was gored to death by a buffalo bull. Because the water in the trough in the enclosure was frozen, Anderson began to dig a hole where water could be turned. While he was engaged in this work the infuriated animal approached the keeper, who ran for the nearest fence, but stumbled and fell. The beast pierced the prostrate man's body with his horns.

Anderson extricated himself, but was again attacked, the buffalo ramming its head into the man's stomach, causing Anderson to lie as if dead, and the animal moved away. Anderson then dragged himself over the fence. Death followed within half an hour.

BANK OFFERS REWARD.

Vancouver, Jan. 31.—The management of the Royal Bank of Canada yesterday authorized the offer of a reward of \$1,000 for information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the men who held up the branch of the bank at South Vancouver last week, and in addition 10 per cent for information leading to the recovery of the whole or any part of the \$2,000 taken. Chief Jackson of South Vancouver has sent a telegram advising this reward to the police in all the nearby cities.

STEEL REVISION BILL.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—The steel revision bill reducing the duty of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill from 35 to 50 per cent, passed the House Monday. The Democrats had difficulty shutting off a constant flow of amendments, but at 3:30 p. m. secured a vote on the previous question. Then came another delay and roll call, when the Republicans moved to re-commit the measure to await a report of the tariff board. The bill passed by 210 to 100, twenty insurgent Republicans voting with the Democrats.

WINNIPEG CIVIC OFFICIALS RESIGN

COMPLAIN OF ACTION OF BOARD OF CONTROL

Efforts Being Made to Patch Up Trouble in Power and Light Departments

Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—The fate of the first great public ownership of public utilities schemes attempted in Western Canada is hanging in the balance with the civic administration making frantic efforts to patch up the trouble which has caused the manager, superintendent of construction and the chief engineer to peremptorily resign from the power and light departments of the city. This condition has been forced, the retiring officials assert, by business-like interference of the board of control.

The big plant of the city involves an expenditure of more than \$7,000,000 in a hydro-electric plant that has reduced the price of power and light in Winnipeg by two-thirds in three months. The private company met the cut of the city on current. To-day the city has 4,000 meters in use and 2,000 applications to be acted on, while the private company has approximately 20,000 patrons.

The retiring manager voiced the sentiment of the other two officials when he says the administration of the big civic ownership scheme is impossible with the council.

A temporary manager has been appointed and apparently no compromise will be made with the retiring officials. The success of the civic scheme has been more than satisfactory to date, but by chaos reigns in the new department now, as many smaller officials announce that they will retire with the outgoing chiefs.

Mayor Waugh declared yesterday that only temporary embarrassment would result and that the principle of directing the light and power departments, like other departments of the city, cannot be departed from. The situation is admitted to be a serious blow to public ownership principles, but the city officials assert that it will still work out profitably.

METHODISTS AND PLAYS.

Moral Reform Department May Take Action for Censorship.

Toronto, Jan. 31.—Action toward barring immoral plays is likely to be taken soon by the Methodist Temperance and Moral Reform Department. It was reported at a meeting of the executive committee that in theatres throughout the country plays are being presented which are immoral or at any rate suggestive of evil and vulgarizing in their effect on audiences. The committee will take up the matter through investigations by local temperance and moral reform committees all over Canada, and by laying the facts before the proper authorities.

It is proposed to co-operate more extensively with the Canadian Purify Education Society in the dissemination of literature dealing with the social evil and matters of purity.

A committee was appointed to secure information as to what legislation exists in certain states of the American Union and in Sweden aimed at the prevention of degenerate and criminal persons from propagating their kind. It was felt that Canada should take action promptly, seeing that there are feeble-minded persons in asylums in this country who may have become the parents of large families.

Outlining a policy for the immediate future with regard to temperance, the committee resolved to aim at securing the strictest possible enforcement of the law in local option territory, especially in New Ontario. Reports from there, it was stated, indicate at present considerable laxity along that line.

It was also decided to take steps to oppose the storing of liquor in local option territory and selling it from such depositories.

A further conclusion arrived at was that legislation should be sought enabling the bringing on of a local option campaign for the shortening of hours of sale in certain places where local option in the ordinary sense cannot be secured. The expert view of St. John's, Nfld., it was pointed out, was very satisfactory. The bars being open only from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m. It is found that this cuts out a great deal of treating which goes on largely after 7 o'clock in the evening.

MAY DIE FROM WOUND.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 31.—In a clash between 200 striking textile workers and a squad of militiamen yesterday, a Syrian, a Syrian, was stabbed in the chest by a bayonet and perhaps fatally wounded. The Syrians assembled with the intention, it is understood, of parading and the militiamen attempted to disperse them. The Syrians resisted and the soldiers found it necessary to charge with bayonets. School Committee man John J. Green, who was arrested on Monday charged with complicity in the alleged "planting" of dynamite, pleaded not guilty when brought up in the police court, and the case was adjourned until next Friday.

GENERAL STRIKE IN LISBON.

Lisbon, Jan. 31.—The inauguration of a general strike in the Portuguese capital yesterday in sympathy with the agricultural strikers in the Evora district, was accompanied by disorders. The strikers stormed the street railway sheds and succeeded in preventing the military from sending out cars. The government, which fears the strike movement will spread, has compelled all the regiments to go into barracks.

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Mr. Shuster Tells of Wrecking of Persia's Constitutional Government

London, Jan. 31.—W. Morgan Shuster received a remarkable ovation, and his calls for Persian independence were enthusiastically cheered at the banquet at which the Persian committee, composed of members of the House of Commons and other prominent men, met in honor of the American ex-treasurer-general of Persia, at the Savoy hotel here.

A representative company of 200, one-third of whom were American residents, listened to Shuster's story of events in Persia and the part the American financial mission played.

Mr. Shuster gave a detailed narrative of the wrecking of Persia's constitutional government and spoke without restraint.

He placed the entire responsibility upon Russian antagonism to a strong independent Persia, and made it plain that he thought the British people had been deceived. He declared that 90 per cent of the disorders charged as a partial excuse of intervention had been imported by Russia.

Philip Edvard Morrell, M. P. for Burnley, evoked cheers by the statement:

"We realize with deep and mortifying shame the part played, not by this country, but by the government of this country."

Persia Offers Pay.

Paris, Jan. 31.—The Persian government has offered compensation of three years' salary to F. E. Cairns, C. L. McCaskey and Bruce D. Pickney, American consuls who came to Persia with W. Morgan Shuster and were employed with him in the treasury department, says a Tehran dispatch to the European edition of the New York Herald. A less satisfactory offer, however, has been made to others of Mr. Shuster's staff who went to Persia later.

FLORENCE ST. JOHN DEAD.

London, Jan. 31.—Florence St. John, the actress, died yesterday. She was born in 1854, and had been identified with the stage from the age of 14.

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WANTS FIGHTING CANADIAN NAVY**NOTHING LESS WILL THE PREMIER ACCEPT**

Takes Practically Ground as Mr. Brewster, Proposing Amendment

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 30.

If anyone can find any material difference in the amended form of the navy resolution which Premier McBride proposed this afternoon to substitute for that moved a week ago by the leader of the opposition he must be a Sherlock Holmes indeed. After worrying over the matter for a week almost, and presumably having ascertained what the party leaders at Ottawa would like, all that is brought forth is the variant of the original resolution which is given below.

Mr. Brewster called, in the motion which he placed before the House, for immediate action towards the creation of a fleet unit in Pacific waters and the establishment of a naval base on this coast. The premier suggests a form of motion which also urges haste, and in his speech Mr. McBride advanced practically the same reasons for this urgency as did the leader of the opposition. True, his resolution does not mention fleet or naval base but he was even more insistent, if possible, than Mr. Brewster that a fleet must be placed on the Pacific. An adequate, efficient, up-to-date, fighting Canadian navy is what Mr. McBride wants and nothing less will satisfy him.

Under the terms of his amended form, which the leader of the opposition is to move in the House within a few days and which, according to arrangement, is to be passed unanimously, there is no declaration by the legislature of this province of what all agree is the desire of its people—a fleet on the Pacific and a naval base, say, at Esquimaux—but the premier of B. C. is on record inside the House and out of it in his demand for just these things.

The terms of the resolution as moved by Mr. Brewster on Wednesday last were as follows:

"That whereas Canada and the mother country are agreed that it is right and reasonable that all the partners in the Empire should contribute towards the naval defence of the empire:

"And whereas the speedy completion of the Panama canal must enormously increase the shipping business of this coast:

"Therefore, be it resolved, that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, respectfully requesting him to urge upon the Dominion government the necessity of taking such immediate steps as will lead to the creation of a Canadian fleet unit in the Pacific and to the establishment of a naval base on this coast with such promptitude as to make ready for the revolution in sea trade likely to be effected by the completion of the Panama canal."

As the premier proposed to amend it, as the leader of the opposition will later move it and as the House is to adopt it for transmission to the federal government, the resolution will read thus:

"That whereas Canada and the mother country are agreed that it is right and reasonable that all the partners in the Empire should contribute towards the naval defence of that Empire:

"And whereas the speedy completion of the Panama canal must enormously increase the shipping business of this coast:

"And whereas the government of Canada has decided that any scheme of naval defence to be effective must be by co-operation with the mother country and the other parts of the Empire:

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the Dominion government be urged, in view of the great importance of the immediate and adequate protection of the Pacific coast of Canada, that the question of naval defence be considered at the earliest possible date; and be it further resolved, that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, respectfully requesting him to forward a copy of this resolution to the secretary of state at Ottawa."

What looked like a bit of very tricky tactics occurred after the moving of the amendment, which the premier suggested to the leader of the opposition might be made a substantive motion for later unanimous adoption by the withdrawal of both resolution and amendment. The president of the council, Hon. A. E. McPhillips, had seconded the amendment but made no move to speak in support of it. When the Speaker put the question on the amendment and apparently no other member had any wish to be heard Mr. Brewster, to save his right of having the last word on his resolution, spoke. In any case he would have had to state whether or not he intended to accept the premier's offer and this, no doubt, would have been held by the Speaker as constituting a speech and thus exhausting the honorable gentleman's right of reply. As soon as the leader of the opposition had sat down Mr. (Continued on page 12)

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Chicago, Jan. 31.—Railroad commissioners of nine western states and shippers fighting the proposed schedule of increased freight rates due to take place February 1, succeeded yesterday in getting binder twice removed from the new list. The rate will remain unchanged.

The partial victory came during a hearing before Chief Examiner George N. Brown, of the suspension committee of the Interstate Commerce Commission, when Robert Pile, chairman of the western classification committee, made the request.

The effect of the concession will be a saving of 100 per cent. in the rates. The railways' submission to the protest of the railway commissioners and shippers in regard to this particular item of the tariff will not keep the state commissioners from filing their protest with the commission in Washington. They will ask to be permitted to argue the advisability of the suspension of the entire schedule.

The famous Tugela river, in South Africa, is said on one occasion to have risen 40 feet during a single night, owing to thunderstorms on the mountains.

CLERKS FOR WALL STREET.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—"The heads of the railroads of the United States, with the exception of James J. Hill, are merely clerks for Wall Street," said former U. S. Senator Flint, of California, before the House interstate commerce commission yesterday. "Practically everyone but Mr. Hill has a board controlled by Wall Street."

Mr. Flint appeared to advocate that when any steamship line owned by railroads made rates or traffic combinations

it be barred from the Panama canal. A government-owned steamship line was the only alternative, he said.

Bachelors are heavily taxed in one of the provinces of the Argentine Republic. Between the ages of twenty and thirty he must pay one pound a month; after the age of thirty, two pounds; when he is between thirty-five and fifty, four pounds; between fifty and seventy-five, six pounds. When a widower has been three years widowed, he must re-marry or pay the tax. If, however, he can prove that he has been thrice refused as a husband within one year he is not taxed.



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NAVY RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Brewster is to be congratulated on having attained the object of his resolution by again committing the provincial government to a declaration that the naval programme of the Borden government should receive "the earliest possible attention." It is very satisfactory to find even the premier of British Columbia that Mr. Borden is trifling with the matter. The premier's speech reads well. The misfortune of it is that it shows neither the habits of thought, arrangements of sentences, general treatment of the subject matter, nor the habitual language of the premier. In other words, the address published as the address of the premier was not quite the same as the address delivered in the legislature. The premier is evidently not a good memorizer. Apart from this the statement made in criticism of the Laurier naval policy that "it was found by the Hansard that by no procedure and under no conditions would the Canadian navy come into comparison with the imperial navy" is not true. It is unfortunate that this reflects more on the compiler of the premier's speech than it does upon the premier. But the premier has no right, holding the position that he does, to accept the statement of an amanuensis on so important a matter. He should know whether the words put into his mouth—or his hand—are true, or otherwise. Mr. Parker Williams also scored heavily in his counter attack upon the illogical position of the premier. On the whole the opposition has already demonstrated the value of an opposition in the legislature. And the end is not yet.

GERMAN ELECTION METHODS.

Some interest has been aroused among those who closely follow European elections in the methods adopted in European countries to secure an approach toward proportional representation in the parliamentary bodies of the various states. The "re-ballet" in the late German election was closely watched by those interested in German politics, because only upon its result could a correct view of the progress of the conflicting political principles for which the several parties stand be estimated. The re-ballet system of elective representation is not unique in Germany, the same system being in vogue in Austria-Hungary, France, Italy and Russia. It is a method by which an effort is made to secure absolute majority instead of relative majority in parliamentary representation. Where there are but two parties in the field a simple majority vote may be said to decide the issue. The election becomes a mere party contest and a demonstration of party strength. In the countries named, however, there

are numerous parties, and each of these stands for at least one distinctive principle of political economy. Thus the "second ballot" becomes necessary unless an individual candidate received a clear majority of the votes cast in order to obtain an emphatic declaration of principle from the electorate. In Germany, as in the other countries named, the final ballot is between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes, and all others drop out. It is assumed that the definite line of demarcation between preferred principles is made sufficiently clear in the first election. The uncommitted body of the electorate have, in the second ballot, an opportunity to make final choice between the two principles represented in the final candidates. We think the second ballot possesses some advantages over the British and American systems, as it affords third parties—which may in some cases stand for desirable principles—to secure a sufficient footing in the first ballot to make their contention a direct issue in the final vote. We see no other way by which third party propositions can ever become a serious factor in effecting desirable reforms. Some leading statesmen in Great Britain and Canada have given serious attention to this feature of our political system and not a few are in favor of some modification of the second ballot vote in order to secure what they call proportional representation in the Dominion.

Those who followed the returns of the first ballot in the German election noted the apparently phenomenal increase in the Socialist vote, and until the results of the second ballot were known jubilation among Socialists throughout America was much in evidence. Though there is little resemblance in the principles which Socialism, as it is known in America and as it is known in Germany, represents in the impact of a popular vote, the generic idea is the same, and that is all a Socialist in any country asks. There is a common bond among Socialists in every part of the world, but it is worth while pointing out the distinctive principles for which they contend in Germany at the recent election.

The Socialists denounce personal government. They declaim against the danger of war. They assail clericalism. They accuse the Blue-Black bloc of rejecting just schemes of direct taxation in order to lay the whole burden of armaments on the backs of the poor. The prevalence of high prices throughout the world enables them to attack the tariff as the worst of corn laws, and they accuse the great Agrarian interest in Germany of fattening like a vampire upon the lifeblood of the masses. To these broad issues, exploited with incredible vehemence, are added a thousand little irritating grievances against the methods of Prussian bureaucracy.

To most of these grievances the German Socialist will rally not a little sympathy among the masses in other nations, even among those who do not definitely ally themselves with the Socialist movement. With many of the criticisms of present political systems in the freest countries there is much sympathy outside of Socialist circles. It is this fact which keeps the movement alive or makes it at all tolerable. In Germany the conditions are much worse.

The final results in Germany must have been disappointing, and, while we have little in common with Socialism as a modern political cult, we can sympathize with the German unfortunate over the method by which the bureaucracy secured a minimized Socialist vote on the second ballot. The cry was raised that the enemies of the war party in Germany were traitors, enemies of the state and the friends of England—Germany's enemy. The misrepresentation was unfair even to the German Socialists, but bureaucracies and privileged classes do not hesitate to defame their political opponents as traitors when it suits their purposes to do so. The arousing of the masses and the most degraded passions of men is a last recourse when a privileged party desires to secure a victory at the poll. In Germany, as in Canada, the people were tricked into voting against their rational convictions by the flimsy cloud of suspicion that in doing so they might be betraying the solidarity of their empire.

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It is scarcely ever necessary for the Times to refer to the articles of its esteemed morning contemporary, excepting when it is necessary to correct misrepresentation. On the challenge of the Colonist statement yesterday that the measure providing for a commission form of government was "not known to the newspapers," the morning paper says that if the Times knew of the details of the measure it was guilty of the most amazing breach of faith with its readers and the citizens generally. We suppose this can mean only that the Times did not take its readers into its confidence. This is an error. The Times published a full summary of the proposals included in the new plan of civic government. It also compared the commission form with the board of control form of civic government. If any Victoria electors voted ignorantly on the question submitted to them they were not readers of the Times, which did all that was necessary to make its readers comprehend the scheme submitted for sanction. Those voters who voted in ignorance of the measure were, therefore, readers of the one paper in Victoria which took good care all through the year that the public should not be made aware of the nature of the proposed scheme. The moral is that the public generally should read the newspaper that keeps them posted on what is transpiring at the city hall.

We do not know whether the premier of British Columbia spoke in ignorance, in indolence or from an inherent inclination to prevent the truth when he delivered himself on the naval question yesterday in the House. But Mr. McBride made an untruthful statement when he said the terms upon which the navy proposed to be constructed by the Laurier government were different from the terms in relation to the Imperial navy upon which the navy of the Commonwealth government of Australia is to be maintained. As a matter of record the status of the Australian navy is identical with the status proposed to be given the Canadian navy under the Laurier programme. If Mr. McBride does not know this, his ignorance is inexcusable, although it may be understandable. And the terms were fixed after consultation with and approval by the British Admiralty. The Borden naval programme, on the other hand, if it ever becomes a programme, will be subject to the judgment of the Quebec Nationalists led by Mr. Bourassa. To think that this condition of affairs should be the outcome of all the ranting on loyalty indulged in by the flamboyant Imperialists of British Columbia before the late elections! No wonder the Navy Leaguers are ashamed to raise their heads in this part of the Dominion.

These wise words we reproduce from the Toronto World: The regulation of combines and mergers should begin before, not after, their constitution, and the principal object of control should be that of capitalization. To allow trusts and holding companies to be established with a capitalization often exceeding many times over the combined capital of the individual companies they comprise, simply creates the troubles that are later sought to be removed.

It is proposed in order to meet the views of the suffragettes to have the bridegroom make a vow to obey in the wedding ceremony the same as the bride. Thus would they be placed on an equality and the advanced woman be satisfied—Maid and Empire. No married man would object to political equality of the sexes if that were the only thing insisted on. Most of them learn to "obey" without the exaction of the pledge in the nuptial contract.

According to a plain statement in the morning paper the chief objection of the Colonist to the vote on the commission form of civic government was that the whole measure was not "advertised in full in the press." From the Colonist point of view the objection is sustainable.

Read the big advertisement. "A few facts about matches." It is in this paper. It will interest you.

FRIDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF THE FEBRUARY HOUSE FURNISHING SALE

Remarkable Bargains in Furniture, Carpets and Kitchen Utensils

THIS SALE has become so successful simply because values are such that people wait for months to be able to buy their furniture during February when such a saving can be made. Furniture from the highest to the medium grades will be offered for sale, also carpets, linoleums and kitchen utensils at very low prices.

Carpets, Linoleums, Muslins and Curtains at Prices that will Please the most Expectant--February Sale Values

This sale is a specially fine opportunity to secure your floor coverings, blinds, curtains, fancy muslins and any kind of furniture coverings at a great saving. All the goods are our regular stock and are well up to our standard for quality. Here are a few attractions for Thursday and Friday's selling.

INLAIN LINOLEUMS—These come in block, tile and wood designs and include all the newest colors. As a floor covering for the kitchen, hall or any place where there is a lot of traffic this material is by far the best and most reliable. The pattern wears right through. It is six feet wide and will be sold on Thursday at, per square yard **\$1.10**

SEAMLESS AXMINSTER RUGS, of British manufacture, have a heavy velvety pile and may be had in a wide range of patterns and colorings. Floral, conventional and oriental designs are here to choose from. Size 9x12, sold regularly at \$35 to \$42 each, to be sold on Thursday at **\$18.75**

BRUSSELS CARPET SQUARES in a large variety of floral, conventional and oriental effects. They come in ground shades of blue, green and fawn. For hard wear at a moderate

cost these carpets have no equal. They are closely woven and have a hard finished surface. Interwoven borders and size 9x10 ft. 6 in. To be sold on Thursday at **\$14.75**

ODDMENTS OF BRUSSELS CARPETS—These are mostly in border carpet and consist of a large variety of patterns and colors. Each piece is about 1 1/2 yards long and will make a good rug. Price, each, on Thursday **65c**

CREAM MADRAS MUSLINS in a great variety of new and artistic designs. There are floral, conventional and cathedral effects to choose from and will make splendid curtains or draperies for the coming season. They are in widths from 50 to 54 inches and sell regularly at from 85c to \$1.25. Special for Thursday's selling, per yard **65c**

CHOICE CURTAINS—Swiss, Brussels Net and Battenberg. These come in white, ivory and ecru shades and are well suited for bedroom and drawing room decorations. Some are beautifully embroidered and are 3 yards long. Reg. \$5.75, \$7.50 and \$8.75 values are to be sold on Thursday at per pair **\$3.50**

A Carload of White Enamel Bedsteads at February Sale Prices

There are so many different styles and the prices are so moderate that it is almost an impossibility for you to be disappointed. Some are plain and neat decorated only with neat chairs and a little gilt, but others are in handsome designs trimmed with brass fillings, knobs and rails. We recommend you to see the View street and Douglas street windows for a display of a few of these lines, but we have many more to show you in the department. This is a special opportunity for hotel and boarding house proprietors.

Regular \$3.50 values to clear at \$1.90 and **\$2.90**
Regular \$4.90 and \$5.90 values, all to clear at **\$3.90**
Regular \$6.90 values will be sold at **\$4.90**
Regular \$7.50 values are now marked at **\$5.90**
Regular \$9.75 values on sale at **\$7.50**
Regular \$11.75 and \$13.75, all to clear at **\$8.75**

Brass Bedsteads Marked at Prices Much Below the Average

Here is one of the largest and best assortments of brass bedsteads that we have had for a long time, and the low prices at which they are marked should prove a great attraction. All the newest and best designs are here, both in bright and satin finish. See the View and Douglas street windows and you will be convinced that better goods are not to be had at the price. Here are a few of the values.

3 FT. AND 3 FT. 6 IN. SIZES
Regular \$14.90 to \$18.75 values for **\$9.75**
Regular values to \$22.50 are marked at **\$13.75**

4 FT. 6 IN. BEDSTEADS
Regular \$26.75 and \$29.75 values are now **\$19.75**
Regular \$35 and \$39 values will be sold at **\$28.90**
Regular \$45 and \$49.75 values to clear at **\$33.75**
Regular \$57 and \$59.75 values are now marked at **\$42.50**
Regular \$69 to \$97.50 values to clear at **\$49.75**

Massive Buffets in Many New Styles Marked at February Sale Prices. These are Only a Few of the Lines that are Here to Choose From

MASSIVE FUMED OAK BUFFET—This has three cupboards, 1 long drawer, 2 linen drawers and 1 lined cutlery drawer. The back is low, has one shelf and a bevelled mirror 45x12 inches. It is constructed throughout from well seasoned lumber and finished with good hardware. Regular value \$69.75. February sale price **\$43.75**

OAK BUFFET in Early English finish. This buffet is constructed from handsome quarter cut oak, well seasoned and put together in the soundest possible manner. It contains 1 long drawer, 1 cutlery drawer and 2 linen drawers, 2 cupboards with fancy glass doors and a low back with a bevelled mirror 40x12 in. The top measures 50x21 in. Regular \$72 value. On sale Thursday at **\$47.50**

GOLDEN OAK BUFFET—This is a very handsome piece of furniture. It is mounted on neat claw feet, has fancy leaded

glass doors, three cupboards, one long drawer and three small drawers, one of which is lined for cutlery. The back is very attractive in design, mostly finished with carving, turned pillars supporting shaped brackets and a shaped mirror. Regular \$45 value. On sale Thursday at **\$33.75**

SOLID OAK BUFFET in Early English finish, has bow front, three cupboards, one with a bow shaped door with a neat leaded glass panel, 1 large drawer and 2 small drawers with shaped fronts. The top measures 48x19 inches and is our regular \$49. Marked for the February sale at **\$33.75**

FUMED OAK BUFFET, with one long drawer, two linen drawers and 1 cutlery drawer. This buffet has two cupboards with fancy glass doors and is neatly finished with quaint handles. The back is low, has one large shelf and a bevelled mirror. The top measures 50x22 in. Regular \$59 value. On sale Thursday at **\$39.00**

Surface Oak Dressers and Stands at Specially Low Prices

SURFACE OAK DRESSER, the top measures 36x18 in., has three large drawers, panel ends and a plate glass mirror 24x20 inches in a neatly carved frame. Regular \$9.75 value. On sale Thursday at **\$6.90**

COMBINATION DRESSER AND STAND—This is a specially useful piece for small bedrooms. The top measures 2 ft. 8 in. x 1 ft. 6 in., has one long drawer, two small drawers and a cupboard and a bevelled mirror 22x13 in., in a neatly shaped frame. Special sale price, on Thursday **\$7.90**

COMBINATION DRESSER AND STAND, with top measuring 3 ft. x 17 in., has handsomely shaped arms and a large oval mirror. It contains one cupboard, two small and one large drawers. Special sale price, each **\$12.90**

DRESSER of selected hardwood. Has three large drawers, panel ends and bevelled mirror, size 20x24, in a carved and shaped frame. Regular \$13.75. Sale price **\$9.75**

DRESSER, with a top measuring 3 ft. x 18 in. It has three large drawers and has a mirror size 22x12, in a neatly shaped frame. Regular \$9.75 values are now marked at **\$6.90**

STAND to match the above Dresser. Sale price **\$3.00**

February Sale News from the China and Hardware Dept.

BARGAINS IN TOILET SETS
5-PIECE TOILET SETS, made of heavy white ironstone and is specially suited for rooming houses. The set consists of large basin, ewer, chamber, soap slab and mug. February sale price, **\$1.75**

10-PIECE TOILET SETS—These are English made goods, neatly decorated in pink and green floral decorations. We consider these to be an excellent value at, per set **\$2.50**

ENGLISH SEMI-PORCELAIN TOILET SETS—These have heavily glazed bodies. They are white and finished with gold lines. Regular \$3.75 values. To be sold on Thursday and Friday at, per set **\$2.90**

ODD PIECES OF USEFUL CHINA AT CLEARANCE PRICES
CUPS AND SAUCERS—About 100 doz. neat, white, fluted, earthenware cups and saucers. They are suitable for every day use and are an extra good quality for the money. February sale price, per dozen **60c**

VEGETABLE DISHES—There are about 75 of these made of good white porcelain, are full size and a neat shape. Complete with cover. Regular 75c and 85c values. Will be sold on Thursday at **50c**

ODD BOWLS, in fancy floral effects. There are about 120 of these in three different sizes and will clean them out on Thursday and Friday at, each, **10c**

Diningroom Suites at Big Reductions. Broad St. Windows

HANDSOME OAK SUITE, REGULAR \$162.50 IS NOW MARKED AT \$106.75
This suite consists of a handsome buffet with a serpentine front, one large and two small drawers, cupboard with leaded light doors, large bevelled plate mirror in the back.
TABLE, with round top, will extend to 6 ft., has handsome claw stem and is well finished.
CHINA CABINET to stand in a corner, has round glass doors and three shelves.
DINING CHAIRS—Five side chairs and one arm chair, made of good quarter cut oak and finished with neat slats in the back. The seats are upholstered in good brown leather.

EARLY ENGLISH DINING SUITE IN OAK, REGULAR \$87 VALUE, NOW MARKED AT \$59.40
This suite consists of one dining table, buffet and six-piece suite of chairs.
THE BUFFET has one large drawer and two small drawers, three cupboards with fancy doors and a neat shaped top. The back has a large shaped mirror, shaped shelf and shaped brackets.
THE TABLE is square in shape, has plain legs and will extend to 6 ft.
THE DINING CHAIRS are upholstered in leather and are made with a neatly shaped bannister in the back. There are five side chairs and one arm chair to the set.

NEW YEAR'S TIME IS CHANGING TIME

If you are changing to a 1912 date we have them at **25c**
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LOCAL NEWS

Social Dances.—The Companions of the Forest will hold a social dance on Thursday in the A. O. F. hall, Broad street, when an enjoyable evening is guaranteed all those who attend.

Delhi Cafe.—Yates street, between Broad and Government, offers to particular people an unsurpassed cuisine with quick and correct service. Try it once and become convinced.

Women's Mission Circle.—On Thursday evening the quarterly meeting of the Women's Mission Circle of the First Baptist church will be held at the church. An address will be given by Mrs. Spofford on "Missions in the Congo," and an offering will be taken for missions.

You know where the best noonday business men's luncheon is served! "Weatholme Grill," formerly Songhees. Completely rehabilitated. Special one dollar table d'Hote Dinner every Sunday from 6 to 8:30. Prof. Turner's Augmented Orchestra.

Royal Black Presbytery.—This evening the Royal Black Presbytery No. 528 will give a concert and dance at the A. O. F. hall, Broad street, at 8 o'clock in honor of the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association. Many tickets have been sold and a good time is assured.

Hanna & Thomson, Pandora Ave.—Leading funeral furnishing house. Connections, Vancouver, New Westminster and Winnipeg.

King's Daughters.—A general meeting of the King's Daughters will be held on Friday in St. Andrew's school room, Broughton Street entrance, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance will be brought up and a full attendance is desired.

S. P. C. A.—Cases of cruelty, phone Inspector Russell, No. 1921.

Regimental Order.—The following regimental order has been issued by Lt.-Col. A. W. Currie, commanding the Fifth Regiment, headquarters Victoria B. C., 30-1-12: All N. C. O's, except the staff will parade at the drill hall every Friday at 8 p. m. until further orders, in undress uniform. The regimental major will attend.

Leaky Roofs Repaired by Newton & Greer Co., 1326 Wharf street, makers of "Nag" composition.

Tidderington Goes Back.—In his reserved judgment on the habeas corpus writ in re Tidderington, Mr. Justice Gregory holds that there is sufficient evidence to send the accused for trial, and discharges the order. The accused will be returned to Walla Walla to stand trial for fraud and embezzlement forthwith.

"Tom and Jerry," at the Bismarck.

British Campaigners.—The annual meeting of the British Campaigners will be held this evening at the Foresters' hall at 7:45 o'clock, when officers will be elected. A reply from the Hindu question, which was brought to his attention by a resolution passed at a recent meeting, will be read.

Gents' masquerade suits for hire, Phone M2945, or call at Bon Marche, Prince George Block.

Death Natural.—A verdict of death due to natural causes was returned yesterday afternoon at the continued inquest on the body of Alexander Campbell, who died after being picked up on the corner of Yates and Government streets. The medical evidence was that he died from natural causes, his heart being in a very weak state.

Lake Hill Women's Institute.—The annual meeting of the Lake Hill Women's Institute was held on January 24. The work of the institute during the past year has been very successful, the financial statement showing a balance of \$117.50. Several good papers were read by members at the monthly meeting. In the coming year it is hoped that by renewed activity and co-operation on the part of the members the institute will be what it is intended to be a boon to the country woman, and that each meeting will be looked forward to, not only for the pleasure of social intercourse but as a means whereby they will be helped in the battle of life. The officers for 1912 are: President, Mrs. S. T. Tomic; vice president, Miss Nicholson; secretary, Mrs. W. Palmer; directors, Mrs. Hick, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Fooks, Mrs. Lister and Mrs. Service.

Smith's Hill Reservoir.—The special committee, appointed to look into the Smith's Hill reservoir repair problem, paid a visit of inspection to the place, yesterday. A report will be submitted at an early meeting of the city council.

Ladies, get the habit of coming to the Bon Marche, in the Prince George block, for all your smallwares, stockings, underwear, blouses, etc. Brand new stock and the very latest novelties.

Verdict of Suicide.—The death of "Old Frank," the man who cut his throat with a razor in the Harbor cabins, has resulted in his name becoming known. He is Frank Laforcade. A verdict of suicide was returned at an inquest held yesterday afternoon to find the cause of death. The medical evidence satisfied the jury that deceased had died by his own hand. For years he was known by no other name than Old Frank, but papers in his possession disclosed his name.

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Hotel Alterations.—Plans have been prepared for alterations in the grill and bar of the Empress hotel. The grill room is to be extended and will take in the down stairs hallway and the bar. The billiard room will remain as at present and the bar will be located back of the billiard room. An entrance to the billiard room and bar will be made at the front of the grill room and a large turnstile door will replace the present north entrance. The necessary fittings have been ordered and the alterations will be made as soon as the new fittings arrive.

Fitzpatrick's Herb Medicine cures asthma and is sold at 1941 Collins Street.

Pays a Dividend.—The twenty-fourth annual general meeting of the Victoria Building Society was held last night at a dividend session. The dividend was 10 per cent. Plans are in preparation to wind up the society and will be introduced at the next annual meeting in July. With the payment of the dividend all the stock will have been paid and the society will be liquidated. The following were elected officers: President, G. W. Anderson; vice president, W. Macdonald; directors, W. H. Cullen, J. Smith and J. Woolf. The latter to replace the late Joseph Peterson, secretary, A. St. George Plint, solicitor, Thornton Fell, and surveyor, John Taylor.

THE CITY JAIL

Proposal by H. G. Wilson to Buy an Island for Purpose.

At a meeting of the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League on Monday, H. G. Wilson moved the following resolution, which was carried:

"Whereas the provincial jail at Victoria has been destroyed by fire and whereas the government, out of deference to the wishes of the citizens of the city of Victoria, have decided not to rebuild the present jail, nor to build a new jail within the corporate limits of the city of Victoria, and whereas it would be disastrous to the residents of the surrounding municipalities to have a jail placed within their borders, and whereas, in our opinion the time has come when the government should build a jail large enough to accommodate all the prisoners of the Island of Vancouver and under sentence of imprisonment, therefore it is resolved that the government of the province of British Columbia should be urged to secure an island at some convenient point in the Gulf of Georgia, with sufficient ground to erect a suitable jail and maintain a prison farm, so that the prisoners may be treated in a humane manner, and employed in a natural, healthy and profitable manner during their incarceration."

The scheme for a jail on one of the islands in the gulf has been discussed by the promoters since the fire at the provincial jail, and the names of James and Sidney Islands have both been mentioned as desirable sites. The cost to the province of either of these islands has not been stated, but it would likely be somewhere between a quarter and a half million dollars.

The resolution has been sent to all branches of the league for endorsement. Sidney Island and James Island are owned by Victoria syndicates. The proposal to put the city jail on an island fifteen miles away will require some investigation by the attorney-general. It will not be accepted as readily by the government as it was by the president of the board of trade and the Development League.

LOCAL OPTION CONVENTION.

Programme of Meeting to Be Held in Vancouver To-morrow.

Much interest is being awakened respecting the coming convention, and a large delegation from all over the province is expected. The programme will show the importance of the subjects to be discussed, and some of the prominent speakers who will take part. The meetings will be held in the auditorium of the Central Mission, Abbott street, Vancouver, to which all persons interested in temperance, moral and social reform are most cordially invited. Notices have been sent to all pastors for their churches, and an invitation is here given to the citizens of the province to be present with us and make this the banner temperance convention. The programme is as follows:

Thursday, Feb. 1, 8 p. m.—Opening service by Rev. Dr. Wright. Grand rally, public meeting. Addresses by (a) Rev. Dr. Pidgeon on "Christian Citizenship"; (b) Dr. Ernest Hall, an "Illustrated Address." The choir of Sixth Avenue Methodist church will give special music under the direction of Mr. Wm. Hicks on Thursday night.

Friday, Feb. 2, 9 a. m.—Devotional service led by Rev. J. F. Betts. Appointment of convention secretary, reporters, and roll call.

10:30 a. m.—President's address, Mr. R. H. Cairns.

10:30 a. m.—(a) Report of Supt. Dr. Spencer and Treasurer Mr. W. J. Faris; (b) District reports by delegates; (c) Appointment of committees and other business.

11:20 a. m.—Discussion of "The Situation in British Columbia," led by Rev. N. A. Davis.

11:40 a. m.—"Temperance Responsibility in Sunday Schools," by Rev. C. W. Whitaker.

12:00 noon—Adjournment. Committees meet at 1 p. m.

2:00 p. m.—Opening service by Rev. A. E. Roberts.

2:15 p. m.—Consideration of amendments to existing laws, introduced by superintendent.

3:45 p. m.—Local Option in the Maritime Provinces," by Dr. Sawyer.

4:15 p. m.—Local Option in Ontario, a paper by Mr. E. S. Simons, Toronto.

4:45 p. m.—Reports of committees, discussion of future policy, finances and other business.

8:00 p. m.—Opening service led by Rev. P. C. Padgett.

8:15 p. m.—Installation of new president and other officers.

Addresses by (a) Rev. Wm. Stevenson, subject, "The Drink Traffic and Its Remedy"; (b) Prof. Gifford, Col. Gifford, subject, "A World-Side-View of the Drink Traffic"; (c) Mr. J. H. "What Next?" Sober (selected); by Mrs. Stuart McDermid and Mr. Jack Spencer.

"THE BARRIER."

Western Melodrama Was Well Presented Last Night.

A large audience enjoyed the dramatized version of Rex Beach's exciting story, "The Barrier," at the Victoria theatre last night and they were not disappointed in the matter of genuine thrills. The play has all the elements of the real western melodrama, and in the hands of the generally capable company which produced it last night it gripped the interest of the audience at the start and held it in undiminished form until the end.

"The Barrier" has been given here before and has already been described in these columns, while Rex Beach's story is fairly familiar in these parts. There are some ambiguities in the production which a few slight changes would correct and the last act, the most dramatic and sensational in action, is marred to some extent by an excusable burlesque, but, on the whole, "The Barrier" is remarkably free from the sickly sentiment and exaggerated action which too often characterize productions of the melodramatic order.

The company was exceedingly well-balanced, although containing no bright particular star. George Byron, who played the part of Rimmon, was exceptionally realistic, and George Cleveland would have been a perfect Poison Dope had he the physique required by the author and dramatist. Norval MacGregor was an effective John Gale and Bryce Howatson provided the necessary villain for stock, an antidote to which was the comedy work of Max Steele, as No Creek Lee. Lee Miller was a satisfactory Capt. Burrell. Matt Hyde's impersonation of Aluma, the devoted square, was exceedingly well-done, and Grace Johnson was a winsome Nedra.

SIR DONALD MANN HERE.

C.N.R. Vice-President Not Here on Business, But Returning From California Holiday.

The C. N. R., arrived in Victoria last night from California via Vancouver, and says his visit is not for the purpose of seeing members of the government on railway matters. He is on his way home to Toronto after an absence from Canada of over two months, during which time he says he has been absolutely out of touch with railway matters owing to his recent illness.

"I don't know anything about the Barkley Sound railway," he replied when asked if the remainder of the line would be rushed during the present year. He also said he knew nothing of a railway from the Pacific to the valley to Vancouver, and is not here for the purpose of interviewing members of the provincial government about it. He does not expect to remain in Victoria longer than Thursday or Friday.

Sir Donald Mann is accompanied by Colonel Davidson, chief of the C. N. R. land department.

Sir Donald has a habit of answering newspaper men with the question, "What's the use of asking a silly question like that," and having followed his usual bent last night, and the "silly questions" still coming, he closed the interview with a common phrase of opportunity familiar to railway construction which has now evidently been imported into the ranks of titled society.

Express or Truck.—Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each truck you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it. See us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or incivility on the part of our help. Pacific Transfer Company, phone 249, 50 Fort St.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Feb. 3—Arion Club concert.

Feb. 6—Rose Melville, "Six Hopkins."

Feb. 7—Boy Scouts amateur.

Feb. 8 and 9—V. A. D. C.

Feb. 12—Ladies' musical concert.

Feb. 12—"The Rosary."

Sale Starts Feb. 1st



Our usual REMNANT SALE will start to-morrow morning.

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VALUABLE PRIZES

To Be Presented at Forthcoming Eagles' Grand Masquerade Ball.

The following prizes will be presented at the approaching grand masquerade ball of the local orders of Eagles:

1st prize, ladies' tombola, drop-head "White" sewing machine, presented by J. H. Cairns. 2nd prize, ladies' tombola, gramophone. 3rd prize, best fancy dressed lady, dull mahogany Princess dresser, presented by Smith & Champion, house furnishers. 4th prize, best fancy dressed gentleman, dull mahogany chiffoniere, presented by Smith & Champion. 5th prize, best representative of a city of "Yates" (lady) pure white marble clock, presented by H. E. Levy. 6th prize, best historical character (gentleman), suitcases, presented by J. N. Harvey, Ltd. 7th prize, best national character (lady), fish set, 8th prize, best national character (gentleman), round clock, 9th prize, best character representing "Stock in Trade" (lady), East Indian ring, 10th prize, best character representing "Stock in Trade" (gentleman), ornamental clock, 11th prize, best character representing a "Trade or Profession" (gentleman), combination barometer and thermometer, 12th prize, best sustained character (lady), pair of bronze statues, 13th prize, best sustained character (gentleman), pair of bronze statues, 14th prize, best sustained character (lady), pair of bronze statues, 15th prize, most comic character (lady), Turkish rug, 16th prize, most comic character (gentleman), set of fish carvers.

Ten extra prizes are to be left to the judges' discretion in general. They are:

17th prize (lady), porcelain clock set; 18th prize (lady), pair of sugar shells in cases; 19th prize (lady), pair of sugar shells in cases; 20th prize (lady), pair of sugar shells in cases; 21st prize (lady), pair of sugar shells in cases; 22nd prize (gentleman), sterling silver-mounted cane; 23rd prize (gentleman), sterling silver-mounted cane; 24th prize (gentleman), set of carvers; 25th prize (gentleman), set of carvers; 26th prize (gentleman), set of carvers.

All of the above prizes will be on display in the central display window of J. N. Harvey's clothing store, No. 614 Yates street, during the week commencing February 6th.

SIR DONALD MANN HERE.

C.N.R. Vice-President Not Here on Business, But Returning From California Holiday.

The C. N. R., arrived in Victoria last night from California via Vancouver, and says his visit is not for the purpose of seeing members of the government on railway matters. He is on his way home to Toronto after an absence from Canada of over two months, during which time he says he has been absolutely out of touch with railway matters owing to his recent illness.

"I don't know anything about the Barkley Sound railway," he replied when asked if the remainder of the line would be rushed during the present year. He also said he knew nothing of a railway from the Pacific to the valley to Vancouver, and is not here for the purpose of interviewing members of the provincial government about it. He does not expect to remain in Victoria longer than Thursday or Friday.

Sir Donald Mann is accompanied by Colonel Davidson, chief of the C. N. R. land department.

Sir Donald has a habit of answering newspaper men with the question, "What's the use of asking a silly question like that," and having followed his usual bent last night, and the "silly questions" still coming, he closed the interview with a common phrase of opportunity familiar to railway construction which has now evidently been imported into the ranks of titled society.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS.

Feb. 3—Arion Club concert.

Feb. 6—Rose Melville, "Six Hopkins."

Feb. 7—Boy Scouts amateur.

Feb. 8 and 9—V. A. D. C.

Feb. 12—Ladies' musical concert.

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PASSING SHOW

The Empress Theatre.

For those who like the baseball game there is a treat at the Empress theatre this week. The baseball play, including some notable ball players, offer an act entitled "Twenty Minutes in the Club Room," on the day of the double-header.

The third baseman, Bill Gleason, who formerly wore a Seattle uniform and now plays in the Texas league, has booted the ball and lost the game in the ninth, and the pitcher is awaiting him with anger in his eye. The baseball repartee is very good, and the four men are also good performers. The applause which marks their efforts at every performance shows that the act is a pleasing one.

Judging by the reception he has been given at the Empress theatre this week, Harry von Fessen, who appears behind a mask of burnt cork, is as clever and as popular as ever. He is a notable minstrel.

Not only is his monologue a good one, his stories laughable, and his songs excellent, but he has a manner which brings forth laugh after laugh, and at every performance he has to respond to several encores.

Princess Luba Miroff, a chic and bright performer, sings, plays mandolin and xylophone, and finishes a good act with a short, snappy Russian dance.

Cadeaux, the tight wire performer, gives an act with an occasional thrill, some sauntering from a seat on the wire backward and landing on his feet, balancing himself as he sways with a long pole. He also climbs to a standing position on a chair dizzily balanced by two legs on the wire.

Kitty Ross is a comedienne with a real voice. This singer, who has a pleasing personality, is heard in several songs. She starts her act with a coon song and follows with some "melodies, the best being her contralto solo, "In the Garden of My Heart."

Majestic Theatre.

"A Terrible Discovery" is the title of a very strong biograph picture to be shown to-day and to-morrow. Taunted by the sang over his brother's conviction by the

district attorney, a young man swears to make the attorney suffer. His plan is a novel one, which might have succeeded but for the daring of the lawyer's son. This subject is not only a thrilling production, but is also most logical. "The Story of the Indian Lodge" shows how an Indian was restored to life after being buried for centuries and how his amazement at the present day conditions finally turned him to stone, so that he became part of the rocky ledge—a unique idea in pictures. "Her Pet" is an up-to-date comedy. "A Timely Lesson" portrays a married man who has become infatuated with a handsome widow and believes that he no longer loves his wife and child. He is brought to his senses through the instrumentality of his wife's brother. "Taking His Medicine" is a comedy farce well worth seeing.

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To-night's Meeting.—To-night the electors of Oaklands will meet the mayor and Aldermen Stewart, Gleason, and Hummer, to consider together the needs of the district in the matter of improvements. The meeting is being arranged by the committee appointed prior to the late election to see what could be done to remedy the long-standing grievances of this section of the city. The meeting will be held in the old fire hall, Gosworth road, and is timed to commence at 8 p. m. All electors of the district are invited to state their complaints and they will find their representatives only too anxious to do their best to remedy them.

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News of Sport

ROYALS GO INTO TIDY LEAD IN HOCKEY RACE

With Whirlwind Finish They Took the Measure of Victoria in Gruelling Exhibition Last Evening—Westminster's Great Defence.

Vancouver, Jan. 31.—New Westminster assumed a commanding lead in the Pacific Coast Hockey League championship race at the arena rink last evening when the Royals took the measure of Victoria after a gruelling exhibition. The Royals played the speedy Islanders to a standstill and after holding them even-up for two periods, and half of the third, came through with a whirlwind finish that gave them the victory by a score of 5 to 2. Just about the biggest crowd of spectators yet was on the job for the game, and the game aroused all their latent enthusiasm. The crowd pulled for Westminster too, and when the Royals slammed in four goals in a row in the third period their joy knew no bounds.

Both teams apparently were very keen on winning and not a little personal feeling entered into the argument with the natural result that the checking was of the most strenuous order and penalties were frequent. Ernie Johnson was the object of much personal attention from everybody on the Victoria team and he bumped good and plenty right through the proceedings. The big fellow took it all, however, and in the end brought victory home to his team by his magnificent work, aided and abetted by one Hugh Lehman in goal. It was Hugh who saved the game in the early stages for Westminster by some wonderful saves, and it was Johnson who helped to score the goal that pulled Westminster even in the second period, while it was Johnson who scored the goal in the third period that gave the Royals the lead. Considering the number of times that Johnson hit the ice during the evening after heavy body checks, his performance last night must stand out as a really wonderful display. The entire Westminster team played good hockey last night.

Royals Great Defence. The Capitals were good enough on the night's play to deserve the victory but they found the Westminster defence almost impenetrable. The Victoria forwards combined very well all the way while they checked their opponents closely, but they seemingly could not score, though they had some chances. Dundardale was the best of the lot. Lester Patrick played a whole of a game and received good support from both Lindsay and Small. Lester worked exceedingly well in the final period and was unlucky in not getting several goals himself.

Details of Play. Victoria was extremely unfortunate in the first period in not getting a four or five goal lead for Hugh Lehman made some extraordinary saves when goals looked almost certain.

On four occasions at least Lehman had to come out of his net to block shots, the opposing forwards having pierced the other defence. Hugh's work all through the game was edged, but it was easily the outstanding feature of that first period. The checking of both teams was very close from the start and for a time the play was very even. Lehman's first chance to shine came early when Poulin drove in a fast one from short range. Bobby Rowe was benched and Westminster had the better of the play for a time. Then Hyland was benched and Small was hurt by a shot from McDonald, which struck him in the leg. McLean was benched for a trip, and with two extra men Victoria could not tally. Lehman making half a dozen remarkable saves. Small was sent off, but right after Lehman was called upon for a fine save from Rowe. The latter tried Johnson and drew a penalty, but Victoria continued to press. Victoria varying matters by some spectacular work of his own. McDonald had a grand chance to score from right in front, but after taking his time shot while McDonald and Johnson broke away, and just when McDonald was looking dangerous, Small upset him. Gardner missed a grand chance to score when at short range, on a pass from McDonald. Hyland was benched shortly before time and Victoria forwards broke away. Smith scoring. The puck was called back for offside, however, and the whistle sounded a moment later.

Harry Hyland Rover. Harry Hyland went back to cover in the start of the second period, and Westminster started off in an aggressive manner. Johnson nearly scored on a couple of occasions. McLean almost got through himself and then in a fierce Victoria attack Dundardale sent in a shot from close range that hit McDonald and bounded into the net. Some fast individual effort on the part of both teams featured the next few minutes. Patrick, Small, Hyland and Johnson all have chances to tally. Hyland was hurt and there was a short delay, and then Small sent in a swift shot that caught McLean in the region of the solar plexus, causing more delay. A lot of offside showed up the game consider-

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VICTORIA AMATEURS WOULD LIKE MATCH

Little Chance of B. C. Amateurs Challenging for Allan Cup This Year

The Victoria Amateur Hockey Association would like to match a picked team from the city league against the best amateur sextette in Vancouver, and it is possible that the game may be arranged. After watching the amateur game in Vancouver Saturday night and comparing it with the game played between the Wests and Bays on Monday night, the Times sporting editor is of the opinion that an interesting and closely contested battle would ensue should teams from the two cities meet.

According to a Vancouver scribe, British Columbia will not challenge for the Allan Cup, emblematic of the amateur hockey championship, this year unless the champions of the Vancouver or Victoria city leagues make the trip on their own account, and this does not appear likely. It was originally intended to organize a provincial league Vancouver and Victoria, and send the winning team in quest of the amateur championship, but as the amateurs were delayed in starting their season only city leagues were formed, the formation of a British Columbia league being deferred.

The Allan Cup is now held by the Victorias of Winnipeg, easily the best amateur team in Canada, and it will take a classy sextette to lift the cup. Next season the B. C. amateurs will get together earlier and no doubt a strong team can be sent in quest of the trophy in the spring of 1913. But this season the British Columbia boys will remain at home and play off their city league matches. The winners in the professional league, however, will go east after the Stanley Cup in March.

SPORT NOTES

Ty Cobb says that all Athletics except Baker, Plank and Bender are his friends. He can account for the dislike of Baker, but says he cannot understand the enmity of the two slabs. It is the base hits, Ty, the base hits.

It was at Manager Griffith's suggestion that Walter Johnson abandoned his proposed trip to Hot Springs, Ark. Griffith does not want his star pitcher to do a lot of work this spring. He wants him to go into training with the regulars and gradually work himself up to his best form. Johnson will have two weeks at Charlottesville and about two weeks at home before the regular season opens, and that ought to be sufficient to make him fit to do his best work.

Frank (Farmer) Allen, formerly a Seattle pitcher, who went to Memphis and made good, would like to return to the Northwestern League.

Tommy Tennant, late San Francisco first baseman, and Kitty Brashers have bought the Pomona, Cal., ball team and expect it to blossom into a class-D league this season with other California teams.

It has been learned that Jennings, of the Detroit Tigers, has never signed a contract as manager. He is held to the club by a player's contract, but it has never been thought necessary to bind him to any terms as to his managerial duties. The terms upon which he was to manage the Tigers have always been perfectly understood, and this year they were practically decided upon before Hughes left for Scranton in the fall.

Frank Chance has so badly off for first basemen, even if he is unable to play the bag himself. He has Bransfield, Hoffman, Siler, Adler and possibly Zimmerman available.

While sojourning in California Frank Chance has picked up a suggestion to Joe Tinker in a volunteer named Smith of Pasadena, general manager of the class-D shortstops on the Pacific Coast.

President Murphy of the Cubs, will always have the "last word." He now announces that his million-dollar plant is to be the "last word" in the ball park. Mrs. Helen Britton, manageress of St. Louis, being a woman and entitled to her rights as such, should take notice.

Paul Casey says that the Northwest League is one circuit where you never have time to get your uniforms dry because they play every day.

The withdrawal of the Wards from the Morley Cup soccer league will benefit the league materially, as it shortens the series by two or three weeks.

The following is the Forester team for Saturday: Goal, Harvey; full backs, Saul, Nixon; half backs, Patterson, Kelsall; Potter; forwards, Rudd, Stafford, Bartholomew; centre, Ingalls and Doug. Reserves, Hobson, Taylor, Stevenson and Gould.

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BLACK MATTY IS STILL GREATEST

BUT ONLY IN CUBA WHERE HE BELONGS

Three Defeats by Christy Reduced the Swelling—Is Grand Twirler Nevertheless

Since the recent visit of the New York Giants to Cuba there has been some revision of opinion on the island concerning the overpowering greatness of one Jose Mendez. Time was when Christy Mathewson was expected to feel flattered that they termed Mendez the "Black Matty." Now the dusky twirler of the Pearl of the Antilles is rather expected to consider himself honored in the nickname. Great Mendez, but the Cubans have learned that there are others. A record of three straight defeats at the hands of the Giants changed things.

The Cubans are not sure about it. In fact, if an opinion expressed in a Havana newspaper is to be taken as a criterion, there is some relief at the awakening. Mendez and his admirers threatened to take possession of the island, to the exclusion of all other notables. There is relief that their ambitions are curbed, for a recent issue of La Lucha of Havana says:

"Especially will the resident Americans in Cuba be grateful to Mr. Mathewson for the operation he has performed, greatly assisted by his team mates. He has perceptibly reduced the swelling from the upper headpiece of one Jose Mendez, which ailment was about to ruin a really good pitcher; in fact, he is a great pitcher, but there are others. And after the process of reducing the swelling, which has not been altogether painless, is fully established, the great Cuban pitcher can once more resume his place as the greatest living pitcher in Cuba."

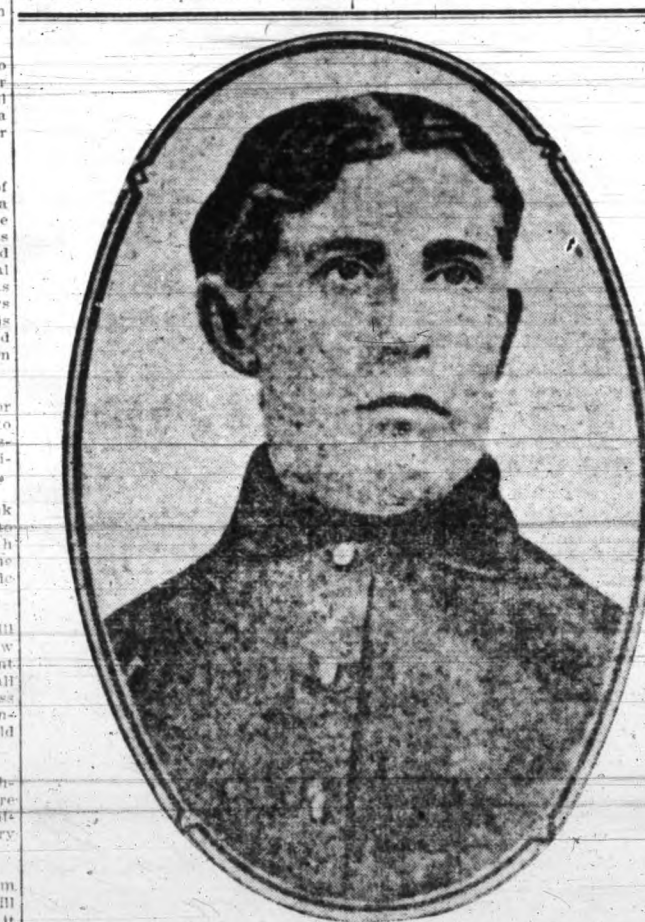
John McGraw's Bad Break.

When the Giants first landed in Cuba Mendez was the greatest pitcher in the world. He had humbled the Phillies and there was much talk of what he would do to the Giants. The Cubans thought all the world felt about it as they did. It is told that John McGraw's unpopularity in the island really dated from the time when he gave Mendez a bad break.

It was in the initial meeting of the Giants and the Havana team. The Giants took the field and McGraw took the third base coaching box. The game was about to begin and a respectful hush fell over the multitude. A big black bear in white uniform strode majestically to the centre of the diamond. Cuban fans bared their heads in the tropic sun—twas the great Mendez.

McGraw could not grasp the situation. He cocked his head to one side, glanced over the kneeling multitude, his eye caught the black giant standing in silent majesty, and he broke the stillness of the Havana park by blurted out in his best Broadway English:

"Who's that guy?" Such ignorance—such sacrifice, almost cost John McGraw his life. That he should not know the great Mendez; that he should not feel his presence, nettled the Cuban fans and they arose from their knees to hurl imprecations upon John McGraw's head. From that



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Some wonderment has been expressed head as one's country's call does to a patriot. The Northwest managers have an undoubted faith in Jones, and he has set his course along policies that indicate he will measure up to the faith. Capable managers, competent umpires and clean ball players are essentials to make baseball popular, Jones has told his club owners, and he has assisted them to acquire these factors. The club owners have entered into the spirit and the Northwest is promised a commanding place in the baseball world as a result.



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day until he left the island he was made to feel their displeasure. The Cubans were good sports enough to acknowledge that the Giants could beat their Mendez, but they could not forget the shock of that greeting John gave their idol.

It is suspected that John McGraw was playing a shrewd game when he contemptuously referred to "that guy." He was after Senor Mendez's goat—and he got it, as the record of the Cuban series shows.

Larry Doyle Pays Honors. To the contrary, notwithstanding, Mendez is a great pitcher—in his crude way. Larry Doyle, captain of the Giants, admits as much. Recently he had this to say about the Black Wonder:

"Mendez surely deserves the name 'Black Matty.' I think Christy is the king of all pitchers in America—and surely Mendez occupies a like position in Cuba. I'm not sure that Mendez wouldn't create a terrible stir in the big leagues, were it not for his color."

"He has wonderful speed, a tantalizing slow ball and perfect control. He can mix 'em up so that you will wish you were at home with mother about the fifth inning. Then as a fielder, I have never seen his equal. I have great respect for Hooks Wiltse and Mordcaid Brown as fielding pitchers, but I place Mendez ahead of them. He smacks down the hard ones, gloves the bunts and covers all the inner diamond."

"The third baseman and first baseman need not worry about bunts when Mendez is working. He gets them all, on either side, and believe me, that's a great asset."

Career of Mendez.

Jose Mendez is a Cuban negro, and was born in Cardenas, a city 19 hours distant from Havana, on March 19, 1887. He worked as a cigar maker until he and others discovered that he had something that Cuban ball players couldn't hit with any degree of success, when the Almendares team of the Cuban League grabbed him and he pitched his first real game of baseball for that team in February, 1908. He was taken on a tour of the United States with the All-Cuban team in the summer of 1908, and he performed so well against the strong semi-professional teams here that when the Cincinnati National League team inaugurated their annual winter invasions of Cuba in the fall of 1908 Mendez was selected to pitch the first game. What he did to the "Reds" in this game and also in the next one is history, and

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MORLEY CUP LEAGUE

SCHEDULE REVISED

Feb. 24 Left Open for City Soccer Association—A Strange Delay

At a meeting of the Vancouver Island Amateur Soccer League, held last evening, the schedule of games for the southern section of the league was revised, this being necessary owing to the withdrawal of the Wards from the league.

February 24 was left open in compliance with a request from the Victoria and District Soccer Association, which intends to arrange a Native Sons-Old Country game on that date for the purpose of financing the purchase of medals for the winners in the city leagues.

William Erickson, a former Victoria West man, was granted his transfer to the Y. M. C. A. team, and Douglas, who had signed a West contract, was allowed to return to the Sons of England, with whom he played in the city league. A strange circumstance in connection with Douglas' case is the fact that although Douglas had posted a letter to J. P. Jones, delegate of the West, asking for his release last evening, the communication had not yet reached Jones up to last evening. Messrs. Fletcher, Barnes and Secretary Smith were appointed a committee to inquire of the post office officials the reason for the delay.

The schedule as revised follows:
February 3—Garrison vs. Y. M. C. A. Work Point grounds. Referee Lockert, sons of England vs. B. A. A. at North Ward park. Referee Allen; Victoria West vs. Forsters, at Beacon Hill. Referee W. Lorimer.

February 10—J. B. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. at North Ward. Referee W. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. at North Ward. Referee W. A. A. vs. Y. M. C. A. at North Ward.

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ELECT NEW DELEGATES TO GO TO OTTAWA

Are Addressed by State Senator
From Washington Who
Gives Them Good Advice

The twenty-second annual meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association opened yesterday afternoon in the Union hall at two o'clock. The president, R. H. Agur, in the chair.

Following the adoption of the minutes of the last meeting came the president's address, in the course of which he referred to the matter of transportation and freight rates, saying that a transportation committee had now been appointed to deal with this matter, and for the present this was in their hands. "This association, like nearly all large enterprises," said the speaker, "was started in a small way, but even in its inception those interested must have foreseen the great future possibilities of the fruit industry in this province. We have, in spite of our advancement, just begun to feel the responsibility of the situation."

Alluding to the nature of the work, being done, the president said that there were a certain number of growers who were not carrying on their orchard work on the most approved horticultural lines—no spraying, pruning, cultivating, or irrigating as they should. The horticultural branch of the department, he said, was now in advance of the grower, and that if the latter thought there should be further expansion he should be up and doing.

Grateful reference was made to the address to the establishment of the department of packing schools in the province, and to the awards received as a result of this innovation at the Vancouver apple show, and the Spokane National apple show, and to the fact that owing to the relatively good packing done here our fruit had competed most successfully with American packed fruits in the Northwest market.

The efforts of directors, and particularly of the secretary, were acknowledged in no restrained expressions. It was suggested to the newly inaugurated board that the directors in their respective districts should size up the situation, make reports on the character of the work being done by the various growers, and send in the report to the secretary in order that the faulty methods might be pointed out and rectified.

"About the market for our increasing product," said Mr. Agur, "you often hear the question asked as to where we will find the market for the fruit when all the trees now planted come into full bearing." The reply given to this was that the Northwest was our natural market, and would remain so if those provinces were not allowed to be used as a dumping ground for second grade products from the States, Australia and Great Britain were also able to take unlimited quantities of our fruit. "The Northwest want our fruit, we want their flour, and it is just a fair exchange," said the speaker.

Executive Report.

The report of the executive was a long one, referring in its opening to the growth and development which the association had experienced during the year. The membership now totals 591, of which fifteen affiliated associations are included. The growth of the membership from ninety-seven two years to the present number speaks more eloquently than anything else to the confidence of fruit growers in the usefulness of the association.

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action in what proved to be a political question. The next Dominion conference was announced to take place in February, and the place of meeting of the Pomological Society to be in Spokane.

In response to recommendations made by the executive to the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Professor Schuyler of the University of California has made a report, which is being published by the department of agriculture in the form of a bulletin. An expert has also been appointed to undertake investigations into the various diseases and insect pests causing injury to fruit. In addition, it has been recommended that a vegetable expert should be added to the staff of the Provincial Horticultural Society to work toward the encouragement of truck and vegetable gardening.

Transportation Committee.

The transportation committee handed in their report, which dealt with the subject in a very thorough manner, the principal statement being contained in the following: "The president of the Dominion Express wrote regarding the effect of a joint rate to Canadian prairie points for a carload of berries by express. The present rate is \$2.00 from British Columbia points, with a 20,000 lb. minimum. The present rate to non-competitive C. P. R. points is \$2.00 per hundred from Spokane, with 15,000 lb. minimum. This does not include the rate from Seattle or Hood River to Spokane, which makes the charges per hundred on American berries very high. Our executive prepared a statement showing that the granting of a lower rate would in all probability have a detrimental effect on the growth of the British Columbia small fruits industry, and we are informed that in view of our representations the lower rate from American ports would not be granted. Several matters are under consideration, and other points have been suggested for discussion by the committee, such changes as are secured during the next month coming into operation in time for the tariffs of the current year."

Senator Paulhamus.

During the afternoon a very interesting and practical address was given by Senator W. H. Paulhamus, of Puyallup, Washington, on the subject: "Fruit Growing in the Northwest." The senator said in part: "I am proud to be introduced to you as a fruit grower and not a politician, although I think that we fruit growers take more of a part in politics. I believe that by taking part in the organizations of our state that we can accomplish some good things. This is the first time that I have ever been outside the United States. I was a little timid in coming over here, as I quite expected to see some of you gentlemen with horns of some other unusual and formidable characteristic; yesterday I attended your parliament, however, and I found that your members go to sleep during the speeches of the other members just the same as they do on our side of the line; so I conclude that you are much the same as we are. When I was leaving a friend of mine asked me where I was going. I said I was going to the Fruit Growers' Convention in Victoria. He said: 'Don't tell them anything, because they are competitors of ours! However, I do not agree with that idea.'"

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"On the welfare of the farmer depends the success of the city man," said Mr. Paulhamus in speaking of the general benefit which would be derived from improved conditions in the country districts. The speaker then drew a comparison between the value of an acre of wheat land and an acre of berry growing land, saying that the former was rarely worth more than \$50 an acre, while the latter was worth \$100 per acre as a producer. This was a condition which the railroads had not yet come to appreciate, but when they did they would begin to boom other than the wheat lands to incoming settlers.

W. J. Bonavia, the crops and labor commissioner, gave a review of his work in orchard surveying in the Okanagan district, and gave a description of the various outlying orchards and the methods used in working these. In some districts he said he had found a co-operative spirit, this being particularly evident in the younger districts. Eighty-one ranches had been visited, the largest orchard being that on the Coldstream ranch. Details were given of the best growing territories for such apples as Jonathans, Wagners and Spitzenbergs, and for peaches and crabapples, pears and grapes. Reference was made to the labor problem, and to the difficulty which would be likely to continue owing to the severe nature of the winters and the fact that so many men had no employment for the whole year.

The evening session.

The evening session experienced a keen discussion over the appointment of delegates to the Dominion conference which is to be held this year at Ottawa. The recent general election had made it impossible for the conference to be held last year as anticipated, and at yesterday's session a motion was made to consider the appointment of new delegates. Messrs. Brydon and Maxwell Smith, who had been elected to represent the convention at the last meeting, immediately opposed this. They contended that in view of the fact that the minutes of the last meeting had been adopted, and that the election had been recorded in those minutes, it was out of order to consider the election of other delegates.

Mr. Agur, the chairman, however, gave a contrary ruling, which the convention supported, and a nomination of delegates followed which resulted in the following being elected to attend the Dominion conference at Ottawa: F. W. Somers (for Vancouver Island), J. C. McFarlane (for the Lower Mainland), R. H. Agur and W. C. Ricardo (for the Okanagan), T. Abriel and J. Rooke (for the Kootenay and Boundary).

An address was given by H. C. Atwell, who described the working of several small exchanges operating in Oregon, and proved that wherever the idea had been worked out it had been productive of good results to the growers. Co-operation he said had reduced the amount of individual labor, had lessened the expenditure, and had brought about a regulation in the prices which met the farmers' rather than the middlemen's demands.

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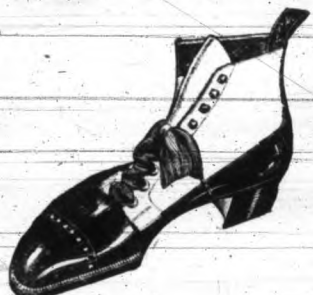
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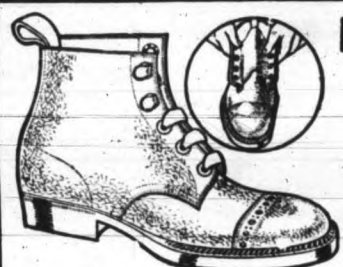
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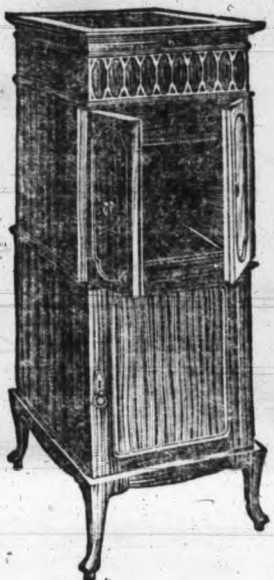
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baillie, of Kelowna, are in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gamwell are in the city from Seattle.

G. F. Emerson, of Edmonton, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

John Swanson, of Uluet, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

John Ridington, of Vancouver, is spending a few days in the city.

H. R. Lee and M. Halloran, of Neepawa, are guests at the Dominion hotel.

A. B. Lawrie, of Glasgow, Scotland, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Thomas McCleary, of Po-tage la Prairie, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Makins, of San Francisco, are staying at the Empress hotel.

J. Harry Patterson, of Los Angeles, has arrived at the Empress hotel from the south.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McRae have gone to California for the remainder of the winter.

A. A. Clothier is in the city from Minneapolis, and is registered at the Empress hotel.

Mrs. E. J. Hearn, of Kingsley, Poul Bay, will not be receiving on Thursday of this week.

A. J. McIntyre and J. Travers, of New Westminster, are registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dyer, of Winnipeg, have arrived at the Empress hotel from the east.

J. L. Skene, the well known contractor, has returned from Vancouver, where he spent the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lucas, of Vancouver, are registered at the Empress hotel. Miss Shaw accompanies them.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sinclair and Miss Amy Campbell registered at the Empress hotel from Vancouver yesterday.

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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.

Will Inaugurate Campaign for New Hospital—Committee to Be Appointed

The Women's Auxiliary of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital met in the regular way yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms, Mrs. H. Robertson, President, presiding. It was decided that with the consent of the directors, a campaign should be undertaken by the ladies to collect funds for the erection of a new hospital.

The family of the late Mrs. Robert Robertson sent a card of thanks for sympathy extended to the auxiliary in their recent bereavement. A cheque from Capt. Chas. Phillips-Woolley was sent as his contribution, this being the proceeds of the sale of his Commemorative Medal.

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The Evening Chit-Chat

By Ruth Cameron

Are you growing? Of course, I don't mean growing physically. I mean are you developing in any way, or are you standing still, or even retrograding?

It seems to me that is a question which each one of us ought to ask himself at least once a year. And what better time than this, the end of the first lap of the New Year, to ask it?

I'll tell you what made me think of this subject. A college girl who had been out of college ten years went to a reunion.

At that reunion one of her classmates who is a music teacher played a piano solo. The first girl is a teacher, but she understands a good deal about music and she realized at once that her classmate had improved to a wonderful degree in her playing. And not only did she play infinitely better than she had during her college days, but even better than she had three or even two years ago.

Then the first girl said to herself—'Gertrude has been growing every year since she left college. She hasn't stood still and rested on her laurels—although she has had plenty of them—she has just kept on developing. Now, am I doing that?'

Am I as much better, as a teacher, than I was the first year I left college, as Gertrude is as a musician? Am I a better teacher now than I was two or three years ago?

And for she had put this question wasn't at all sure what the answer ought to be.

Are you growing? Are you developing every year? Would anyone who could understand, be able to see a distinct advance in your proficiency over your standard of two or three years ago?

Are you, each year, a better teacher, a more accurate proof-reader, a more efficient business man, a more gripping preacher?

Are you—I've saved this for a separate paragraph, because I know there would be a large class of people who would want to remind me that they did not need my question, because they had neither talent, ability, nor profession or business to master—each year a better home-maker, are you each year a more livable member of society?

You, who follow that most humble and yet most exalted profession of home-making, you whose talents are

the talents of the soul and character rather than of the brain or fingers, remember that there is just as much technique in home-making as there is in piano playing. Remember that there are just as many graduations, just as vast possibilities for development and improvement in the art of livableness as in the art of painting or writing.

The greatest principle of life is perpetual growth. When anything in the vegetable world ceases to grow it begins to decay.

To a certain extent this is true in the immaterial world, also. So, if you want to guard yourself and your powers from decay and decline, take the only sure method—keep on growing all the time.

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"I'll give you a quarter for it," he said. The man drove a bargain for half a dollar, and the husband took the tender home, leaving it in his pocket. Smiling serenely, he fell asleep.

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the ten-spot was gone and in its place a two-dollar bill. This wife's conscience had troubled her about taking ten, so she put two on its place. Hubby smiled. He was in to the amount of \$1.50.

All day long at work he grinned, and it was with difficulty he refrained from telling his fellows the joke.

But just before 5 p. m. he was called to the telephone. The police were on the other end of the line, and they requested him to come down to the station and bail out his better half, who had been arrested in a departmental store for attempting to pass a bogus ten-dollar bill.

The grin was gone as he hurried into his coat and cap and took a car for the police station. There he explained matters and straightened the thing out. But his wife had purchased goods to the value of \$5.50 before she had handed the bogus bill to the clerk, and unhappy hubby had to put up real coin to pay for these things.

This is a true tale. Take what moral you please from it.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 31—5 a. m.—The barometer is abnormally high over the Pacific slope and fair weather is general. There are indications of another ocean storm area approaching this coast and causing unsettled weather and rain. The weather from the Rockies eastward to Manitoba is quite mild.

Forcasts.
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly and easterly winds, generally fair to-day, becoming unsettled on Thursday.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate easterly winds, generally fair and mild to-day, becoming unsettled on Thursday. Reports at 5 a. m.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 6 miles N.; weather, part cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, 32; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.64; temperature, 24; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 4 miles N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 32; minimum, 32; wind, 6 miles W.; weather, part cloudy.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, 20; minimum, 12; wind, 2 miles N. W.; weather, cloudy.

Victoria Daily Weather.
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Tuesday:

Temperature.
Highest 43
Lowest 42
Average 45

Rain, .46 inch.
Bright sunshine, 4 hours.
General state of weather, partly cloudy.

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February Furniture

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Upholstered in velour, in brown, green and red, with spring seat and golden-oak finish. February sale price \$4.85 only.

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IRON BEDSTEAD, brass mounted, supported woven wire spring mattress. Cotton felt on excelsior top mattress in a strong and durable tick. In any size, complete \$7.90

Pillows

PURE WHITE COTTON PILLOWS. February sale price, per pair 95c

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In several different shades of tapestry. February sale price, \$10.35 each.

Cocoa Mats

Reg. value 50c. February sale price. 30c

Couches

Upholstered in a good grade of velour, in red, green and brown. February sale price \$4.65

Window Blinds

In dark green cloth and mounted on Hartshorn Rollers. February sale price. 45c

Brussels Mats

Handsome designs and fringed all around. February sale price, 40c each.

Oak Curtain Poles

4 ft. x 1 1/2 in., and with knobs, rings and brackets. February sale price 25c

Dresser & Stand



Surfaced Oak Well finished, with large bevelled British plate mirror. February sale price, for the two \$10.85 pieces.

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OUTLINES LEGAL ASPECT OF BUSINESS

R. T. Elliott, K. C., Begins Series of Addresses to Business Science Club

The series of addresses on commercial law to be given by R. T. Elliott, K. C., in connection with the Business Science Club at the Y. M. C. A., was opened last evening with an address on insurance, life, marine and fire. The president of the club, H. M. Usher, opened the proceedings, and expressed his thanks to Mr. Elliott for undertaking to deliver the course. The speaker, referring to the historical side of insurance, said that some form of marine insurance had been known for several hundred years, and the London and Liverpool Marine Insurance Companies were the first to be established in Europe as the bankers and shippers of the world. He said that the modern form of marine insurance was first introduced in 1666, when the first marine insurance act was passed in England. He said that the modern form of marine insurance was first introduced in 1666, when the first marine insurance act was passed in England. He said that the modern form of marine insurance was first introduced in 1666, when the first marine insurance act was passed in England.

ESCAPED PRISONER

BACK IN CUSTODY

WAS SHOVELLING COAL ON A TUG AT SIDNEY

Hoped to Borrow \$2 From Frederick Bullock and Get Night Boat to Vancouver

John Lynn, the Dominion prisoner who, as recounted yesterday escaped from the city jail on Tuesday night, was caught at the dock at Sidney while shovelling coal on a tug boat where he had obtained employment. He was detained by a special constable there until the city police, advised by telephone, arrived in an automobile and "joy ride" Lynn back to the jail. The capture was effected by means of the photograph appearing in the Times last night. A telephoned description was sent to Sidney and all other points immediately. The prisoner was missed, but Lynn escaped identification until the mate of the tug boat in reading the Times last night recognized the escaped prisoner from the photograph. He then communicated with special Constable Morris who arrested Lynn. The prisoner submitted to arrest without resistance. There is little doubt that Lynn picked the lock of the barred door behind the police door, for in searching him last night Sgt. Detective O'Leary, who accompanied by Detective Heather brought Lynn from Sidney to Victoria in an automobile, found one of those articles with which women put up their front hair before retiring at night. It proved an instrument sufficient for Lynn's purpose, but he would not admit to the detective sergeant. Neither did he deny it, and replying to a remark said, "Who found the door open?" Lynn talked to the officers on the way home and described his movements from the time of his escape to the time of his arrest. He said he walked to Sidney along the railroad track and that it was a beautiful night and quite warm. He made an unsuccessful effort to get away to Vancouver by the night boat but failed because he could not find the residence of Frederick Bullock, the crown witness in the navy war prosecutions. "I wanted to find Bullock," he said, "and get a couple of dollars from him. With that I would have got off to Vancouver." When he failed to find him by calling at a house on the way out he made his way to Sidney and got work there. He was diligently shovelling coal, and doubtless was eager to get the work completed so

the boat might leave the dock, when he was arrested.

Lynn was presented in court this morning for the formal proceedings of his commitment to Westminster penitentiary where he is now to serve 364 days, the unexpired term of this first sentence for attempted robbery. He sat in the dock motionless while the formalities were proceeded with and then walked back to the prison.

JANUARY BUILDING EXCEEDS TWO YEARS

TOTAL IS \$3,185.35 FOR FIRST MONTH

Many Dwellings Under Construction Boost Total Over Figures of 1910, 1911

While building figures for January 1910 and January 1911 were considered large and were ahead by a large margin of previous Januarys, the total amount of permits issued for January of the present year, the books of which closed this afternoon, is more than the total of both previous Januarys. The actual figures for the month are \$3,185.35. Against this is \$125,983 for January 1910 and \$131,455 for January 1911. The rapid growth of the residence section of Victoria is demonstrated in the figures for this month. Of the total of over \$300,000 there are more than \$200,000 listed for dwellings. The largest among the permits issued is that for the stores being built by Grant & Lineham on Cormorant street, to cost \$63,000. Other permits, over \$10,000 are \$15,000 for stables for George Stout on Edmonton street, \$10,500 for a freight shed for R. P. Rither & Co., \$12,000 for H. S. Griffith's house on Topaz avenue, and \$22,000 for alterations to Mrs. Irving's property at Government and Brighton streets. Two permits were issued to-day, to Miss O'Brien for a house on Wilmington street to cost \$3,350, and to the Ward Investment company for a dwelling on Cambridge street to cost \$2,500.

OBITUARY RECORD

The death took place this morning at St. Joseph's hospital of Lancelot Clarke, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Clarke, of 2821 Oaklands avenue. The deceased, who was a victim of tuberculosis, had been ill for some months. He was 30 years of age, and

a native of England, but had resided here since childhood. He was educated at the local public and high schools, and had been engaged in farming for some time in the Oaklands neighborhood. He is survived by his parents, four brothers and two sisters. The body has been removed from the hospital to the undertaking parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, where it will remain till Friday morning, and will then be removed to the home of Mr. Clarke. The interment will take place at St. Luke's cemetery, Cedar Hill, the funeral service being arranged at St. Luke's church on Friday at 2.30 p.m.

The death occurred in New Westminster on Sunday of Catherine Frizell,

aged 76 years. The deceased was the widow of the late Robert Frizell, and leaves to mourn her loss four daughters and one son, Mrs. J. G. McKay, 641 Manchester road; Mrs. W. R. McIntosh, South Turner street; Mrs. Geo. Miller, Ross street; Mrs. Ed. Woolridge, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Rev. J. W. Frizell, Washington, D. C. The remains arrived in the city yesterday and the funeral takes place this afternoon from Hanna & Thompson's parlors.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Cochrane took place Monday afternoon from Christ Church Cathedral, where service was conducted by Very Rev. Dean Doull. There was a large attendance, and many beautiful floral tributes covered the bier. The pallbearers were Messrs. F. C. Nixon, Wil-

liam Cox, F. H. Mayhew, C. Macdougall, Julius Brethour and Samuel Brethour.

The funeral of the late Henry Seaborn took place Monday afternoon from the B. C. Funeral parlors, Rev. Otto Girlich officiating. The pallbearers were J. Loeffler, George Price, A. Messerschmidt and H. W. Frankrow.

Mrs. Catherine Greenwood, widow of the late Capt. John Greenwood, died at New Westminster on January 28th, aged 84 years. One daughter, Mrs. B. H. John, of this city, survives. The funeral will be held on Friday at 2 p.m., when Rev. W. Leslie-Clay will conduct a service at 945 Queen's avenue. Interment will be in Ross Bay cemetery.

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WANTS FIGHTING CANADIAN NAVY

(Continued from page 3.)

McPhillips got up and spoke on the amendment, presumably trusting to there being no opportunity to reply to whatever he might say.

Mr. Brewster, naturally, felt that he had a right to reply to this member of the government, but the speaker ruled that he had no further right in the matter, even when Mr. Brewster pointed out that if he had not risen when he did the amendment would have been carried by the House and there would have been no opportunity at all left for him to reply.

The Premier began with some satirical references to the member for Newcastle as seceder of the resolution, the opinions of that gentleman on matters touching what may be for convenience lumped under the term "militarism" being well known. As to the member for Alberni, he proceeded to see in his speech the declaration of a different policy from that of the Liberal party. The Conservatives in the province, the Premier said, during the late election did not think the proposals of the federal government were sufficient; they were unable to agree that the purchase of the Rainbow and her subsequent disposition as headquarters vessel on the Pacific was in any fashion an adequate commencement for an efficient fighting force in these waters. They were told at the time that of course the Rainbow was more a training than a fighting ship, and while it was admitted that she was practically taken from the scrap heap in the old land, it was stated that she was the best fitted vessel for the purpose. The department had in mind the first steps to the defence of the Pacific coast. They were concerned at the statement from Sir Wilfrid Laurier that under no circumstances would the Canadian navy go into co-operation with the Imperial navy; the federal Premier had found himself unable to give that full and frank statement as to the naval policy which generally characterized his Conservative party in this province. The Conservative-Laurier policy, first to cause the preliminary steps were far from efficient and did not provide for the assembling in these waters of an efficient fighting force, and it was next proposed that when the navy was created there would not be the cohesion between it and the Imperial navy which would be absolutely necessary in case of war. Aside from these considerations it was proposed that an annual sum of very considerable proportions should be provided by the federal treasury with which new vessels were to be constructed.

"It might be well to point out to the Legislature," continued Mr. McBride, "that we have had in the last two weeks from Mr. Hazen, the new Minister of Naval Affairs, a very specific statement, in substance to the effect that expert advice which he has secured condemns such a policy on the ground that by the time it had been carried out the result obtained would have been simply to assemble vessels obsolete, out of date, and of no fighting account at all. I think that the very frank, very decisive utterances of the Minister of Marine of Canada evidences the genuineness of the new government in respect of what we may expect as to a naval policy."

"I think we may all take for granted that as soon as time permits the government has been in office but three or four months—we may see the process of establishing an efficient

Canadian navy taken up, in solemn and deliberate form and a specific policy outlined that will relieve the tension that now obtains, especially on the Pacific and on the Atlantic seaboard. Why, Mr. Speaker, should Canada, in its attempts to bring about adequate naval defence, stop at anything short of the best and most up-to-date equipment? I would like to know, if it is essential in the naval defence of the Empire that in the old Land nothing but the last word should be adopted, why it is not equally essential in the Dominion of Canada for the Canadian people. If the Rainbow, in other words, is not good enough for England she is not good enough for Canada. (Conservative cheers.)

"I think that, considering the new circumstances created at Ottawa and the far-reaching importance to Canada of a proper naval policy, it is only right and fair, in view of the recent pronouncement, that we should give Mr. Borden and his followers a fair and decent opportunity to frame and announce a policy as to the establishment of the wealth of Canada or of her ability to finance and make adequate provision for naval defence. I am quite satisfied that no longer need we be obliged to go to the Admiralty in the home land in order to secure the protection so essential in the home waters and abroad for Canadian interests involving other seas."

"I think we can expect generally when the new administration has had an opportunity to confer with the Admiralty, the consummation of a naval policy that will be acceptable to Liberals and to Conservatives alike. We should as true and loyal Canadians go to the utmost limits in order to take this question of the Canadian navy out of our politics and place it, if at all possible, on a higher plane. It would be a very wise and a very proper course for the House of Commons at Ottawa to adopt to grapple with the question of a Canadian navy aside from political conditions altogether. We on this coast should feel from day to day the necessity of urging this matter on our brother Canadians who live on the hinterland. Our conditions are not so familiar with sea conditions as we are. I know there is a tendency for us to be more or less discouraged at times at the apathy of Canadians in the interior provinces. We read, when there is an agitation which would lead to more activity in naval affairs, that in the East there is no urgency and that the matter is one which might well stand over. I know that with the construction of more transcontinental railways and with a better understanding of things the day is not far distant when the entire Dominion will come to such an appreciation of the situation as will justify Canadians joining with one voice in establishing a modern, efficient and up-to-date navy, one which will be a credit to any nation."

Reasons For Pacific Fleet.

The Premier went on to say that there were many reasons why we should have a fleet on these waters. The province had heavy interests in transcontinental railways with terminals on tide-water, and in the consequent expenditure of millions on harbor accommodation; and as a matter of duty to themselves British Columbians should not spare themselves in endeavoring to interest the eastern and the prairie provinces in the necessity for a navy. A few weeks ago he had spoken in the Victoria theatre in support of a resolution much the same as that proposed by the member for Alberni, when he dwelt on the need for insurance of our heavy investments on this coast by the establishment of a navy, and expressed the belief that the people of Canada

would attend to this matter. With the early completion of the transcontinental lines and the increase of shipping through the opening of the Panama canal it was essential that this protection must be given. Looking over the entire situation the urgency of establishing a navy came home to every British Columbian. Mr. Hazen was shortly going to England and would find in the First Lord of the Admiralty, Winston Churchill, a man in every way equal to his high office, and would leave nothing undone to assure Canada that the motherland was with the Dominion in the building up of a Canadian navy.

Concluding, the Premier said he found no fault with Mr. Brewster for giving prominence to this matter at this time, but in view of there being a new government at Ottawa he thought it only right and fitting that it should be given an opportunity to frame its policy. He therefore moved as an amendment, seconded by the president of the council, that all the words in the resolution after the second paragraph be struck out and that the following words be substituted:

"And whereas the government of Canada has decided that any scheme of naval defence to be effective must be by co-operation with the mother-country and the other parts of the empire;

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the Dominion government be urged, in view of the great importance of the Pacific coast of Canada, that the question of naval defence be considered at the earliest possible date; and be it further resolved, that an humble address be presented to his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, respectfully requesting him to forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State at Ottawa."

The Premier suggested that both the leader of the opposition and himself might withdraw their resolution and the amendment, and that then the resolution, recast as proposed in the amendment, might be adopted unanimously by the House and go forth as its unanimous opinion. He closed by again declaring himself in favor of active and immediate construction of an efficient navy for the Dominion of Canada.

Identified Disclaimer.
Mr. Williams disclaimed any credit for a change of heart or views on matters of defence. He explained what of course was generally apparent to other members—that in view of there being but one Liberal and one Socialist in the House at the moment there was a friendly understanding between them to second motions for one another so as to get these before the House, but this did not commit either to a support of the views expressed in any resolution the other proposed. Personally he had no sympathy with any militarist sentiments. Mr. Williams said: "He was just as keenly desirous as anyone else to see the maintenance of the British Empire, and just as willing to see its defensive forces maintained so long as that was necessary, but Britain and Germany were rushing headlong to financial bankruptcy, and the effort to outdo each other in building navies. If this reckless waste of money was stopped it would go a long way to abolishing poverty. For the man in overalls was behind every dollar spent and was the one who felt most severely the immense burden of taxation."

Mr. Williams, turning to Canada, expressed his conviction that "patriotism" and "loyalty" as political cries were just a little bit overdone. Some of the men who shouted most loudly for big navies and vast expenditures on defence were in fact the most patriotic and disloyal of men. The honorable gentleman ridiculed the idea of a world peace was maintained by the building of great navies, and declared that by the adoption of the principles of Socialism alone would this be achieved. When the workers refused to do the fighting for the classes, which brought about most of wars for selfish ends, then war would cease. The people in large businesses in the coast towns and cities were getting sick of the smell of powder.

Premier's Change of View.

The speaker put the question on the amendment, and as neither the member for the Islands, as seceder of the amendment, nor any other member rose to continue the discussion the leader of the resolution took his right of closing the debate. Mr. Brewster remarked that while the Premier talked about keeping this question out of politics he could not speak on it without introducing a political form of politics. "I am sure," he said, "that the members of that House had taken in."

The leader of the opposition rebuked the Premier for his remarks regarding the member for Newcastle, who had fully explained the reason why he had seconded a resolution with which he was not personally in sympathy. The Premier might, under the circumstances in which he had offered one of his followers to second this or any opposition resolution in order to get it regularly before the House; it would be a graceful thing to do. On the contrary, the Premier deplored the fact that a member for Newcastle, a Socialist standing in that position, should presume to second his resolution.

The Premier had taunted the member for Newcastle, without any justice, with changing his views. But there were others who had changed their views. The Premier as a private citizen was found at a public meeting taking one view of a Canadian navy, but on the floor of the House he was found taking another view for fear it might hurt his political friends at Ottawa were he to take the view he had already taken and expressed as a private citizen. In the Victoria theatre, on March 11, 1910, the Premier was quoted as saying:

"In the matter of empire defence, we should do more for the navy and it should be done at once. Under the constitution, the navy was the business of the government at Ottawa and not of the province, which the provincial government could deal. He had a right, how-

ever, to express his own personal view in the matter. That was that in the present almost impending crisis, Canada could not do too much to help the motherland in naval affairs. If he had a seat in the parliament at Ottawa, he would rest neither day nor night, through summer or winter until some direct vote were made to the Imperial navy. That, he believed, too, was the opinion of the entire province."

"In other words," the leader of the opposition went on, "before there was any election in sight, when support of an aggressive naval policy was good politics, the Premier talks of not resting day nor night, summer nor winter, sleeping in his seat, until action is taken. But when in this House a positive resolution is moved the second comes in for a tongue-lashing. There must be no delay, we were told two years ago, but now we are asked to approve of further delay. In my resolution I simply wish to reaffirm on the floor of the House the very policy the Premier expressed from the stage of the theatre. The Premier has had time to telegraph back to his friends in Ottawa, and we find now that political expediency is of more value and more to be considered than the speedy formation of a fleet unit on the Pacific or the establishment of a naval base on this coast. We find that a year ago his federal leader was of the same opinion he was formerly as to the need for urgency, for in the House of Commons on March 9 last we find Mr. Borden using these words:

"This in the meantime, the immediate duty of Canada and the impending necessity of the Empire can best be discharged and met by placing, without delay, at the disposal of the Imperial authorities, as a free and loyal contribution from the people of Canada, such an amount as may be sufficient to purchase or construct two battleships, or armored cruisers, of the latest Dreadnought type, giving to the Admiralty full discretion to expend the said sum at such time and for such purpose of naval defence as in their judgment may best serve to increase the united strength of the Empire, and thus assure its peace and security."

"If Mr. Borden wishes to carry that out on his naval policy my resolution will not harm him. It simply says that we on this coast desire the policy to be carried out at once. Why should we have any delay? I think my resolution is the best adapted to the situation at present."

Mr. Brewster, after winding up, after talking all round the subject, by saying we should take the question out of politics. I am going to accept his offer, take him at his word and, because he is afraid to embarrass his leader, who is tied up to the Nationalist cause, I have the pleasure of having to witness the visible spectacle of the Premier of British Columbia bending the knee to the Nationalist influence which apparently extends right across the continent to British Columbia. I will withdraw my resolution and move it later in a recast form, as he suggests, and seconded by him."

Scents Politics.

Hour A. E. McPhillips took the ground that the policy voiced by the member for Alberni was quite the reverse of that of the late Liberal government, and that had such a policy been placed before the people last September it might have resulted in a different verdict. Going on to twit the leader of the opposition the President of the council asserted that the resolution was introduced for political reasons, and got into the middle of a sentence as to his knowing the member for Alberni intimately in private life.

"I would rise to a question of privilege," Mr. Speaker, said Mr. Brewster. "The hon. gentleman has no right to make such a statement. I introduced this resolution of my own bat, without consultation with any member of my party, simply because I desired to see the continuance of a work which had been begun."

Mr. McPhillips insisted that he had a right to say that the introduction of this resolution at this time was a political complication. The hon. member's idea must have been that what else could it be? His resolution must have been intended either to embarrass this government or the federal government. The President of the council proceeded to pay his attentions to the Socialist party, which he accused of being more dangerous than war, as the laboring classes were talked to by orators of that party and led into the wildest of extravagances.

Mr. Brewster wished to reply to certain of Mr. McPhillips' statements only. He said he had no right to reply. Having spoken on the amendment he had cut out his right of reply on the main motion.

Mr. Brewster—"I waited until you had put the question the third time on the Premier's amendment, and as the President of the council did not rise to support the amendment I would have no other gentleman desired to continue the debate. I rose in exercise of my right, as mover of the main motion, to reply and close the debate. If I had not risen and you had put the amendment, which would have been carried by the brute weight of the government majority, I would have lost my right of reply altogether, would I not?"

"The Speaker—"That is so."

"The Premier—"Do I understand that the hon. leader of the opposition withdraws his motion as I have suggested?"

"The Speaker—"Not as you gave it. He desires to move the new resolution."

"The Premier—"That is immaterial to this side of the House."

Mr. Brewster pressed for a ruling on his point of order that he was entitled to a reply to Mr. McPhillips, but got none, and he thereupon withdrew his resolution. After the House rose, he gave the required notice of his intention to move the substitute resolution as given above.

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Principal Features of Settlement of Fixed Assessment—What City Gets in Return

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 30.
When the Navy resolution had been disposed of in the House this afternoon the legislature went into committee, with J. A. Fraser (Cariboo) in the chair, on the bill to ratify the agreement between the province, the city of Prince Rupert, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. and Grand Trunk Pacific Development Company, regarding the taxation of the lands of the railway company by the municipality, the completion of terminals, a hotel, a dry dock and several other matters which were for a considerable time in negotiation between the parties, but especially between the city and the companies.

It is agreed by the city that for ten years from January 1, 1911, the company's taxation is to be \$15,000 per annum, local improvement taxes to be additional but the railway's share of the cost of such improvements in no case to exceed one-half the total.

The railway company conveys to the town one hundred feet of waterfront in block E and the province one hundred feet of waterfront in block D, for strictly municipal purposes. This wharfage, as a matter of fact, will be used as a garbage wharf.

The townsites company conveys to the city in fee-simple several small parcels of land for municipal purposes and is to grant two leases for 99 years in each case at a rental of one dollar a year or of several other lots. Some of these are to be used for park or boulevard purposes solely and no structures other than statues or monuments are to be erected on them. Other specified lots are leased for specific purposes, one for cemetery purposes, to be developed, and having a park-like effect throughout, another for reservoir and waterworks and others for school or other public buildings. The agreement says as to certain of those parcels:

"Parcels six, seven, eight, nine and ten shall be used only for the purpose of public buildings having a grouped effect architecturally with parklike surroundings."

"Parcel sixteen shall be used as a public recreation ground and for the erection of public buildings of real architectural merit, the entire development to be such as shall produce a parklike effect."

"Parcel twenty-eight shall be used for a general public park and is to be developed to that end. Without in any way lessening the duty of the city to preserve the parklike features of the parcel, it is understood that for a distance of one thousand feet to the north of a road connecting McBride street and the Prince Rupert boulevard the natural parklike features of the land are to be retained."

"Parcel thirty-six shall only be used for buildings of a public character, possessing real architectural merit; the grounds surrounding same to be suitably graded and planted."

"Parcel fifty-four shall only be used for public buildings of architectural merit; provided, however, that the city may construct and maintain a reservoir thereon. In the development of this parcel the general parklike features shall be adhered to."

In addition to granting the city all necessary easements over railway lands within the city limits for civic purposes the railway and the townsites companies pledge themselves to the following covenants:

"The railway company will, within a period of three months from the date of ratification of this agreement by the legislature, commence the erection of its works within the city limits, consisting of: permanent station, roundhouses, engine-works, machine-shops, and other structures and accessories incidental to the establishment at Prince Rupert of company, and terminus of the railway company, and complete the same with all reasonable dispatch, retaining within the city the pay-rolls in connection with such work so far as it may be feasible to do so."

"The townsites company will, within a period of two years from the date of ratification of this agreement by the legislature, commence the erection of a first-class hotel of modern design and appointment, and prosecute the construction thereof with due diligence."

"The railway company will commence the construction of a dry-dock at Prince Rupert in conformity with the agreement respecting the same between the railway company and the government of the Dominion of Canada."

The bill passed through committee without discussion.

Parke Williams asked what rates of wages were paid to rock-drillers and laborers on the Kettle River Valley railway construction and what the lowest rates of wages paid on that work were.

The minister of railways, Hon. T. W. Taylor, replied that rock-drillers are paid \$2.75 a day and that laborers are paid \$2.50 a day, these being the lowest wages paid.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. Robert Connell.

In view of the Premier's decision to go on with the navy resolution to-day the debate on the forestry bill, which had been the order of business, went over until to-morrow.

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE

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Jeff Clarke, With Mobile Last Season, Coming Here—How It Happened

When visited last evening by the sports editor of the Times Wattelet had just started a smile, which broadened in ever widening circles until the wrinkles penetrated his back hair, and for aught that is known he is still smiling. When asked to pass the joke along, "Wat" tucked a cigar into what under ordinary circumstances is the corner of his mouth and handed over a telegram. Here is its purport:

Jeff Clarke, who pitched for Mobile in the Southern League last season, is coming to Victoria. He was recommended to Wattelet by Tom Fairweather, president of the De Moines club of the Western League, a circuit in which Clarke dispensed his benders for three or four seasons.

Clarke was mixed up in the trouble in the Mobile club, which ended in Ducky Holmes, the manager, digging out. The exact circumstances are not known, but it is said that Clarke and one other player were released by Holmes, and that that he displayed the owners of the club that they and Ducky had words. Ducky let his temper have full sway and then hit the pike, thus bringing about his suspension.

Anyway, after leaving Mobile, Clarke went to San Antonio under an agreement that he was to be a free agent at the end of the season. Wattelet embarked on his trail as soon as Fairweather gave him word that Jeff had the goods, with the result that Clarke's signed contract was received yesterday. Jeff is a pretty big man, weighing about 170 lbs., and has a nice variety of curves. He brings Victoria's roster up to thirty players.

Big Squads in Northwest—

Northwestern League clubs will have some big squads on the diamond about a month and a half from now. The managers in this part of the country appear to have grabbed everyone who looks like a ball player, judging by the record number of players signed up. The Victoria club has thirty, Seattle is prepared to field thirty-seven, Vancouver has signed thirty-two, Spokane has between thirty and thirty-five, Mike Lynch has twenty-eight on his Tacoma list, while the Portland club will have twenty-five working out for places on the Oregon team this year. This is some list for a minor league.

COAST LEAGUE RULES

WILL BE CONSIDERED

Seven-Man Teams in One Game and Six-Man in Other

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—On the principle that a cup is entitled to an equal share of consideration with the holders, a series between the British Columbia champions and the defenders in the N.H.A., which is virtually assured this season, will be decided under the rules of the two leagues, according to trustee William Foran. In explanation Mr. Foran says:

"It would be unfair to insist on the challenging team abiding by all the rules of the league of the defending team, and though Mr. Ross and myself have not discussed the point, I will suggest in the event of a series between the champions of the British Columbia league, and the winners of the N.H.A., that one game be played under the rules of one league and the second game according to the code existing in the other league. In other words have one game with seven men a side and the other with six men; if a third game is necessary play it half and half."

The inference in the latter remark is that the trustees may revert back to the old method of deciding the series best two out of three.

Mr. Foran stated the trustees would accept a challenge from the Maritime Province League as that organization appeared to be of senior caliber. No challenges are in to date, but both the Victoria and coast leagues are expected along shortly with a bid for the historic silverware.

Mr. Foran scoffs at the idea of any "fixing" going on in the N.H.A. games and attributes the reversal of form of the reputed crack teams to be due entirely to the six-man game, which he styles as spectacular, but lacking in scientific features of the old game.

KNOCKS FOR CHAMPION

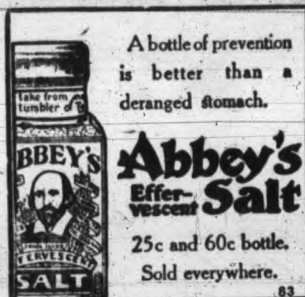
Is Jack Johnson Popular With Boxing Fans? He Is Not.

The seven chorus continues for Jack Johnson, the smoked heavyweight champion. Hardly a day passes but some sporting writer takes a pot shot at the dusky fighter and he is about as popular with the boxing fans as an Orangeman in Cork.

In speaking of the waning popularity of the champion the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says:

"Jack Johnson and Jim Flynn will never meet in the word that is going the rounds just below the surface in the boxing game. Notwithstanding the \$100,000 offers from Nevada and New Mexico, it is believed everywhere that sentiment against Johnson is so strong that, notwithstanding Mexico now has no law at all covering fights and that the state of Nevada has a law permitting finish contests on its statute books, steps will be taken in both commonwealths to run the affair to the state borders if it is attempted. Johnson is de trop in the fight world. His utterances have set everyone against him. No chance to make any big money will ever be given the big smoke in this country."

"Had he conducted himself modestly the chances are he would have picked off a \$15,000 purse in New York and



been permitted to pluck the luscious little Flynn thing. As it is now, bacon will be scarce for Jack, save in Paris."

CHAMPIONS COMING

HERE ON SATURDAY

Fourth and Final McKechnie Cup Game This Week End—Same Teams

Although the championship has gone to the Mainland, the Victoria Rugby fifteen has not yet given up hope of registering a win from Vancouver this season. Practically the same team that played in Vancouver last Saturday will be fielded this week-end when the Terminals come over for the fourth and final McKechnie Cup game. Carstairs is the only one of last Saturday's players not available, he being out of town.

The game will be played at Oak Bay, commencing at 2:30 o'clock, with P. A. Sparks handling the whistle in all probability. The same players who won the title for Vancouver last Saturday have been selected for the Victoria trip, and efforts will be made to get all the men away. Vancouver has won three straight games to date, and the officials of that club are anxious to finish the season with a clean sheet so that despite the fact that there is no trophy at stake the game should be fast and hard fought.

ON ARCADE ALLEYS.

The challenge of the Yates street barbers for a match on the Yates street alleys has been accepted by Capt. Gill and his Briard team on the condition that a return match be played on the Arcade alleys.

Six big scores were made yesterday in competition for the \$25 suit.

The two leaders in the House League, the Owls and Hawks, fight for first place to-night.

One Arthur Reynolds, late of the Arcade alleys, is some all round sport. Yesterday he shot a cougar, six feet eight inches long, in the Gordon Head district, and with a shot run at that. By so doing Arthur has added fifteen bones to his bank account.

SNAPSHOTS FROM THE GALLERY

Laurier's naval policy was right; so was Borden's; ditto McBride's; ditto Brewster's; also the Colonists; if you don't believe it, read the Colonist editorial for the last two years; on file at the Provincial Library, but do not ask either the Colonist or McBride to explain the apparent inconsistencies in their attitude from time to time.

No fear of German aggression now. Sixty per cent. of the German people are Socialists and stand for peace. Parker Williams says so.

Minister Ross says that in seven years last 1,716,160 acres of Crown lands were pre-empted and during the same period only 406,872 acres of pre-empted lands were Crown granted. No explanation of the discrepancy forthcoming.

Minister Ross states that 4,238,976 acres of Crown lands were sold during the last seven years and only 1,994,514 acres of purchased lands deeded. Of course, "the speculator must have his chance," and he is given ample time to go to Britain and promote a company and raise the money to pay for the lands, and the B. C. government kindly holds the lands for the speculator's convenience.

Mr. Brower has succeeded in defeating Mayor Taylor in Vancouver and now, by the power contained in Bill No. 1, has in packing, through the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to fix conditions under which Vancouver's boundaries may be extended. The legislature should not stand for this.

THE BATTLESHIP MAINE.

Wreckage of Warship Will Be Sunk in Gulf of Mexico.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—General Elixby, chief of engineers of the army, brings from Havana the report that unless unforeseen difficulties are experienced all that is left of the old battleship Maine will be floated out of Havana harbor by March and sunk in the deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico. When the wreck is finally floated out to sea with ceremony and in the presence of a distinguished company, the cofferdam will be removed and nothing visible will be left in Havana harbor to mark the scene of the great catastrophe.

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A Few Facts About Matches

EDDY, OF HULL, CANADA, has been burnt out four times, yet he is still doing an enormous business, and **paying big dividends**. **BRYANT & MAY, OF LONDON, ENGLAND**, obtain all of their wood for making matches from the United States, and all of their wood for making match boxes comes from Russia, yet they have made their stockholders rich and are still **paying big dividends**.

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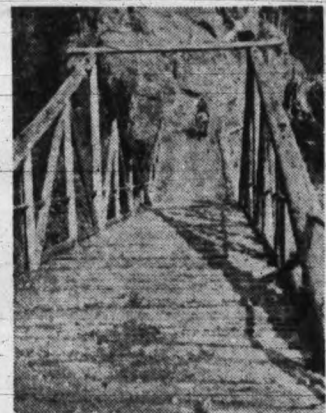
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DEPUTY MINISTER ADDRESSES FRUIT MEN

Mr. Scott Shows That Much Useful Work Has Been Done for Horticulture Last Year

At the morning session of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association today a resolution was moved by F. D. Nicholson, seconded by F. D. Campbell, that "whereas demonstration spraying has been controlled by the inspection branch of the Department of Agriculture, and the work of demonstration spraying is intended to be educational, be it resolved that the Department of Agriculture be recommended to transfer the work of demonstration spraying to the horticultural branch, and in all matters make a complete distinction between educational and pest control work. This resolution was defeated by a large majority after several speakers had been heard on the subject, including Messrs. Richards, Brydon, Harris and others.

Mr. Cunningham made a short address showing the work which his department had carried out, and asking for the recognition by the delegates from the various districts of the work which had been done in eradicating fruit diseases and pests.

Hon. R. McBride. The Honorable Richard McBride came in during the course of the morning's proceedings and addressed the delegates, saying that it gave him great pleasure to meet the members of the association, and that he recognized that many regulations of a useful character had resulted from the fruit-growing industry had resulted from the conferences which had taken place here from time to time. "Since we met last year," said the premier, "we have one cause for congratulation, which lies in the fact that one of your own members is to-day Minister of Agriculture for Canada, and another is Minister of Agriculture for the province of British Columbia. If there be anything at all in having friends at court, one does not hesitate to conclude that this circumstance, which enables you to claim two prominent officials as close friends, ought to mean that your influence at court will be of a most effective character, and that, without reflecting on the attitude of the former ministers at Ottawa, in future if there will be anything at all that will come from the Dominion that will help the fruit industry of British Columbia, you will not look in vain for help. Mr. Burrell has had practical experience in this province, and in selection of his ministry, Mr. Borden has in him a man who will be able to take up the question in a capable manner."

"Without wishing to bring in anything by way of politics into these proceedings," continued the speaker, "I feel from my own experience regarding the fruit-growing industry of the province, that it is a matter of congratulation that reciprocity was defeated at the poll. I do not mean, as I have tried to emphasize, to say anything of a political nature at this convention, but the matter which I have just mentioned seems to me to be so pregnant with everything that means for the success of your industry that I could scarcely let the occasion pass without making some reference to this aspect of the question. As one who has had nearly nine years of opportunity of coming closely into contact with the industry, and the organization which stands for it, I cannot help but observe that while from year to year we have been discovering more troubles and discussing new difficulties here and there respecting the progress, a great many improvements have been accomplished. We here in British Columbia have the co-operation of this section of Canada will be presently the orchard of the Empire. We are leaving nothing undone to stimulate and encourage the industry so far as the public interest would warrant it."

Proceeding Mr. McBride went on to say that there had been many complaints with regard to the labor question, its scarcity, and its inefficiency, and that many bitter criticisms had been passed respecting the inadequacy of transportation. There had also been, and with some justification he thought, some very sharp things said as to the marketing of our produce. "We know with what trials and difficulties officials are surrounded," he said, "who, in the exercise of their duties may have occasion to impose exactions on some sections of the country; but despite these various points I think we can say that we have made good progress, and that the promise which we believed years ago were held out to us when the industry was in its earliest infancy has come quickly into realization. But, undoubtedly, although much has been done, there yet remains more to be accomplished. It is essential if we are to round off our programme in this regard that we have, and at once, better and more adequate transportation. The railways of the country should be extended and improved, and there should be an extension in regard to these which will give both convenience and expediency in transporting your products at the most reasonable rates. I have it from the Minister of Public Works that he proposes to make a larger demand on the treasury than he did in previous years in extending the roads. I cannot at the moment give you the figures, but we are going to try as far as our finances will permit to show you that, where the agricultural extension of the province is

concerned, we do not propose to lag behind. When you look over the country and study its present stage of development, when you consider the duty we owe ourselves to protect this development against our neighbors across the line who have forged ahead of us to some considerable extent, and who will take every advantage of the completion of the Panama Canal, I think it must be obvious to everyone that the people of this province must lose no time in being connected up so that they too get all the advantages to be derived from the building of the Panama Canal. I propose that all our speculations shall be sound ones; we have secured a reputation of a high order, and it is up to us, the government, to sustain it."

Mr. McBride dealt shortly with the question of the alien labor problem, and said that he would always stand for white labor only, in the province of British Columbia. "It has always been my strong conviction," said the premier, "that India, China, and Japan are the countries for the Hindu, Chinese and Japanese. In saying this, I wish to say nothing against the Oriental either individually or collectively. One cannot help but admire the Japanese in their progress, the Japanese has come up to the Western standards. But as a Britisher and a Canadian, I say if there is any land under the sun for white men, it is this Canada of ours."

In concluding Mr. McBride said that he wished the visitors welcome to the city, and hoped the gathering would be one of the most fruitful that the association had ever experienced. An address was given by M. S. Middleton, Nelson, on the subject of Pruning, in which he called attention to many popular errors which existed on this subject, and what should be done. There were six points which he treated upon at length, these being: The shape of the tree; the development of the fruit spurs; penetration of light and air; thinning of the fruit; and the balance between the parts of the tree. A small two-year old tree was brought in and used to demonstrate the proper method of pruning. The lecture was of a practical and useful nature throughout.

Deputy Minister's Address. The deputy minister, W. E. Scott, in addressing the minister, said his subject, "The Department of Agriculture in Relation to Fruit and Vegetable Growing," was one in which he was deeply interested. There were 24 on the permanent salary list in the department today, and several more on temporary assignments. Having spoken of the work of their secretary, R. M. Winslow, as provincial horticulturist, the speaker said: "There are at the present time large numbers of settlers coming into this province with the intention of engaging in horticultural pursuits, the majority of whom have no practical knowledge of the subject, and all of whom are naturally unacquainted with our local conditions. These officials, Mr. Winslow and his assistants, were always avail-

able, and only too ready to help by every means in their power those new arrivals by advising as to selection of locality and soil; what were the best varieties to plant; the application of correct western American methods in caring for their orchards, only by the adoption of which the best results might be obtained. The membership of the organization had increased to nearly 600, and every local fruit growers' association, of which there were 14, was now affiliated with the parent organization, thus engendering that spirit of co-operation which was absolutely essential if the association was to serve the interest of the horticulturists of the province. Mr. Scott referred to the fact that 946 letters had been received during the past year, and 12,166 dispatched from the horticultural branch of the department.

Short course work had been carried on in a number of centres, institute work pursued, fruit packing schools encouraged, including packing competitions, demonstration orchards, and 12,000 trees furnished to reliable men in different parts of the province. The staff had assisted in fruit judging at the shows, and had now a crop and labor commissioner attached to the department in the person of W. J. Donovan. A large amount of work in connection with publications was shown in the statement, and the energies of the inspector of fruit pests brought under review. Speaking of conditions in connection with the last crop, Mr. Scott remarked that the whole province, with the exception of West Kootenay and the Boundary districts, had been hit, but the crop had been seriously affected by the fruit pit or Baldwin spot of the apple. A very considerable percentage of the fruit of the province had been practically ruined by this disease, and unfortunately it appeared to be spreading in many districts. He was of opinion that the disease was caused to a large extent by soil conditions. The precipitation throughout the interior was abnormal, and the fruit crop light, consequently trees made an excessive growth, the fruit was large and soft, which was just the right condition for the spread of the disease. The deputy minister expressed himself against over-advertising the fruit-growing industry, the truth about conditions being good enough. The speaker concluded by praising the work at exhibitions, particularly the success in gaining the Stillwell potato trophy at New York.

JUVENILE COURT. Montreal, Jan. 31.—Without any formality of legal procedure a new era was inaugurated in Montreal criminal proceedings yesterday when the juvenile court under the direction of Judge Choquette was opened in the quarters set aside for the purpose. Read the big advertisement. "A few facts about matches." It is in this paper. It will interest you.

RYERSON COLLEGE INCORPORATION ACT

Private Bills Committee Hears Counsel for Applicants—Echo of Fernie Fire

Legislative Press Gallery, Jan. 31. The private bills committee this morning agreed to extend the time for receiving petitions for private acts until Thursday, February 8, and for presenting private bills until Thursday, February 15. At the same time the members of the committee expressed the opinion that as those seeking legislation had ample notice of the time of meeting of the legislature there was no excuse for the delay which occurred on their part session after session.

The first bill taken up was that for the incorporation of Ryerson College, Vancouver, an educational institution which is to be under the authority of the general conference of the Methodist church. James A. Harvey, K.C., appeared on behalf of the applicants for the bill.

The committee stuck over the powers to be given the college in regard to the holding of land. It was argued that by being given power to hold for college "or any other purposes whatsoever" the governors could go into the real estate business. Mr. Harvey contended that to render gifts of land of any value to the college there must be power to see, lease or otherwise alienate it so as to realize upon it. If the governors saw fit, the section was eventually framed to give power to acquire, hold, sell, lease or otherwise alienate or dispose of lands for the purpose and benefit of the college.

The affairs of the college are to be managed by a board of governors, consisting of not less than 24 nor more than 42 members, appointed for four years by the general conference. The principal must be a minister in good standing of some branch of the Methodist church. The principal, the professors and twelve members of the board of governors, to be nominated by that body annually, shall constitute the senate of the college, together with fifteen additional members to be elected for a term of three years, five retiring each year. At the first election five are to be elected for one year, five for two years and five for three years. The principal will be chairman of the senate.

The general conference is empowered to make rules for the government of the college and the guidance of the board of governors, none of which shall be repugnant to the laws of the province. The college will be obliged to make an annual report and a duly audited financial statement to the annual B. C. Methodist conference and to the general conference. The senate is given power to confer the degree of Bachelor of Divinity after examination by the senate and the degree of Doctor of Divinity after examination by the senate.

A bill was put through for the relief of the municipality of the city of Fernie, arising out of the fire of 1908. Prior to that catastrophe the council had passed two general by-laws for local improvements, but all the civic records having been destroyed there is no proof possible of production that by-laws were passed. The purchasers of the debentures issued since the fire for permanent sidewalks specified in the bill will not take them until legislation validating the matter is enacted, and the apparent non-compliance with the requirements of the Municipal Clauses Act remedied.

The committee exercised a very close scrutiny of the phraseology of the bill, and refused to do more than validate the by-laws and the debentures issued under them. During the discussion it was made quite plain that the committee does not approve of the validating of municipal debentures except under very exceptional circumstances.

H. B. Robertson appeared for the city of Fernie, and with him was W. S. Lane, city solicitor, Fernie. Another bill of a similar nature, also for Fernie, is to come up next week. Mayor Beckwith and City Solicitor McDermid had a hearing set for Tuesday next on the city's request for power to strike a one-cent rate for library purposes. The Vancouver Incorporation Act amendments come up the same day. To-morrow morning the Prince Rupert city bill, validating a by-law for a hydro-electric system and debentures for \$550,000 will be considered.

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PAYING THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

Discussion of Proposal Now Before Parliament of South Africa

An important question which has been solved in Canada in a manner that appears to give satisfaction to both political parties is now being discussed in South Africa. It is the appropriation form the consolidated revenue of a salary to the leader of the opposition.

It was one of the subjects submitted for discussion at the recent meeting of the Unionist Congress in South Africa, which deals with the business that delegates from the people representing the side of politics consider proper matters for legislation; but the time allotted for the discussion of this question was considered too limited to warrant definite action. Thus it happens that the matter is being given a good deal of consideration outside parliament.

It is not surprising that Canada's action in the matter of paying the opposition leader is a subject of frequent reference in the controversy that is in progress.

The action taken by Canada is considered to have been justified for the reason that the men of wealth, leisure and ability in Canadian public life are few in number and that the private party fund that had been provided for the opposition leader in the past might affect his independence, and be made the basis for extortionate demands in the form of official appointments and legislative favors. Opinion in South Africa is that Mr. Borden having in the past accepted the salary of leader of the opposition is now as Premier able in a special degree to deny those who are looking for party favors at the expense of the country.

The argument of course takes a wider range than this. A writer who has given the subject careful study observes:

"In the evolution of parliamentary government, as we all know, the ministry of the day was originally the salaried executive of the monarch. Those servants of the King (of course, the word is not used derogatorily) were closely and constantly supervised; they were checked, admonished, counselled and, if thought desirable, dismissed by the King. By constitutional devolution those supervisory rights and claims are now in the hands of the people, and for the due performance of those important duties the people rely on the opposition. That servants, however highly or lowly placed, should be effectively supervised is a fact known personally to all of us. Effective supervision by the opposition is therefore of paramount importance in all countries under representative government."

"In former days the parliamentary representative of the people received no pay. Nowadays, even in the Home Parliament—the Mother of all Parliaments—the representatives are salaried. This fact, therefore, also becomes established—whether we individually approve or do not approve of it—that parliamentary service is now paid for."

"The question thus becomes narrowed down to one of amount, to one of what is the proper pay for the leader of the opposition. On this point of pay, I think that the salary of £2,000 per annum in South Africa is not too much for the leader of His Majesty's opposition—a designation having official sanction—if he devotes, as is absolutely necessary, practically all his working time to his great, widespread, responsible and complex duties, and pays his expenses out of his own pocket, the salaries of a first-class secretary, typewriter, etc. This is a question of high policy, and has no appreciable bearing on economy. In relation to our revenue the sum of £2,000 is infinitesimal."

"It may be asked, Why pay leaders of the opposition when they can be got for nothing? I answer, first, because you enormously increase your scope in selection, and secondly, because you would know that your leader is not in any way direct or indirect of any man or in that of any combination of men. Here lies the danger in new countries—a danger felt instinctively. Attention must not be confined to England, where the leaders of the opposition have mostly come from large estate owning families and who have lived in an atmosphere of traditional politics from their boyhood upwards. But even British leaders of the opposition, as we all know, have been hampered in their duties by pecuniary worries, and, to free themselves, have been compelled to have recourse to questionable expedients. It will be generally admitted that in South Africa men of political judgment, experience, oratorical powers, attractive personality, strong vitality, and reputed to be of high integrity, who are in the possession of ample fortunes are not plentiful."

"It may be said: Then why not take a man who has made his fortune? Such men are instinctively distrusted by the electorate as politicians. The very qualifications as a rule requisite for rapidly amassing money are constitutionally abhorrent to the statesman, a man whose altruism, whose indifference to money-getting, is often regarded with amazement or even contempt. But this disinterestedness, this freedom from self-seeking, appeals strongly to the people. America has many self-made millionaires and multimillionaires, but such is the popular distrust that not one of them would have the smallest chance of being elected President. Whether the instinct is justifiable or not has no practical bearing on the question. One of England's great statesmen said that he would never draw up an indictment against a whole people, and similarly every reasonable man would admit

that there is no justification for unseeking men, for example, who have qualified distrust. In these materialistic days of comfort and pleasure-risked their large possessions and their lives for ideals might be excluded from the sweeping suspicion, but the political instinct, which distrusts the rapid amassers of wealth, is universal, and is certainly pervading South Africa."

It is not improbable that Sir Leander Starr Jameson, better known as the leader of the Jameson Raid, will be the first paid leader of the opposition, in South Africa. General Botha, the Boer Premier, favors the payment. Who could have foreseen such a development 15 years ago.

SUEZ CANAL SHARES.

How Britain Secured Control Through Journalist's Tip

More Lucy reminiscences contributed to Cornhill include memories of many famous men in London—journalists, politicians, and others. Frederick Greenwood, the celebrated editor of the "Pall Mall Gazette," once gave Lucy some intimate particulars of the part he played in the transaction which resulted in Britain's purchase of the Suez Canal shares from the Khedive. On a certain Sunday night in the spring of 1875 he (Greenwood) chanced to be dining with Henry Oppenheim, one of the original proprietors of the "Daily News." During a residence in Paris and Egypt that gentleman, just settling down in London, was brought into close connection with Egyptian financial affairs. On the previous day he had heard of the intention of the impetuous Khedive to sell en bloc his holding in the capital of the Suez Canal.

Greenwood instantly saw the opportunity for a stroke of State. On leaving Burton street he went direct to the private residence of the Foreign Secretary (Lord Derby) and told him of the rare chance. Lord Derby informed the Prime Minister, whose oriental mind glowed at the prospect of so stupendous a deal. Inquiry secretly made at Cairo disclosed the fact that the Khedive would "part" for a sum of four millions sterling. But it must be money down.

It was, Greenwood told me, on Lord Beaconsfield's personal suggestion that the difficulty, at the moment apparently insuperable, was overcome. The consent of parliament was necessary to confirmation of the deal. That involved both delay and publicity, either fatal to success. Late on the Thursday night following the Burton street dinner, the Premier sent his private secretary, Monty Cory, to call upon Baron Rothschild.

Even a Rothschild did not happen to have about him at the moment a trifle of four millions sterling. Nor was it possible, in accordance with the traditions of the House, that such a transaction should be entered upon without having been considered in family council. Cory accordingly returned to the Premier without definite reply. It came promptly on the following morning, the terms being that the money would be advanced on a commission of 2½ per cent.

These terms were pretty stiff, involving a payment of £100,000. The city heard of them with envy, and they were discussed with much severity when the matter came before the House of Commons. . . . The whole thing happened between two Sundays. On the first Greenwood dined at Burton street; on the second, calling on Lord Derby, he learned that the transaction had been successfully carried through, and was invited to say what form his personal recompense should take. He declined to specify a request, stating he had done nothing but his duty, and was content that its accomplishment should be his reward.

In later years his friends heard him speak with natural bitterness of his generous avowal been taken literally.

Two-thirds of the tin used in the world is supplied by the Malay States. Losses in the United States through oranges aggregated \$15,000,000 in 1911; it is estimated.

IDEAS OF A PLAIN K'AN

BY DR. FRANK CRANE

One of the proofs that the world does move is that amusements are growing shorter.

The ancient Romans sat at their feasts for hours, and invented devices unmentionable in polite society for prolonging the gustatory pleasure.

The European dines for two hours, impeding digestion by wine; the American dines in thirty minutes; and the latter is consequently healthier and wealthier.

The very essence of play, of any kind, is that it be brief. Extend the moment of rapture past a certain point and it turns to pain or nausea.

Those who try to play all day, to say nothing of playing all year or all one's life, are about the unhappiest people on earth.

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, but all play and no work makes him an idiot.

For the essence of play is dash, foam, high spirits, bounding blood, excitement. We all need it. It humanizes us. It preserves our sanity. But to be mad for it it must be occasional, not a habit. We learn the fine art of play when we are through.

We cannot work when we are tired and be all the better for it, can sleep well and eat well. But to play till we are tired is dangerous. We can tire muscles and brain, but to keep our appetites ready, keen and fit we must learn to nip them off just before satiety.

This is the secret meaning of that paradox of Hesiod: "The half is greater than the whole." "Moralists," said Emerson, "are always talking about short-lived pleasures; would that they were!"



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THE PROPOSAL FOR AN ARBORETUM

FULL TEXT OF LETTER FROM MR. ANDERSON

Which Aroused the Interest of Natural History Society—Victoria's Advantages

The question of establishing an arboretum here which was brought to the attention of the Natural History Society on Monday evening in a communication from J. R. Anderson, formerly Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has aroused considerable interest among the many people of this city who have devoted attention to the study of arboriculture. Victoria's exceptional advantages for an arboretum have been often referred to by distinguished arboriculturists and it is to be hoped that something will come of the movement. Mr. Anderson's letter to the society which states the situation forcibly and clearly, follows:

Mr. President and Members of the Natural History Society: At the risk of being thought a crank on the subject of forestry I venture to bring before you the subject of the creation of this paper and in the past it was only through persistent efforts and repeated representation and despite the discouraging apathy that met our efforts, year after year, that at length sufficient interest was aroused; resulting in the reservation of a tract of wild land as a national park. I venture to hope that with united efforts we may also succeed in causing the establishment of at least the nucleus of an arboretum by bringing influences to bear so that a suitable tract of land embracing all the necessary conditions for the successful growth of plants may be acquired and set aside for purposes of arboriculture. The cultivation and propagation of trees and shrubs and the identification of other forms of plant life are subjects of greater economic importance, possibly, than they are usually credited with, inasmuch as they do towards the preservation of many plants liable to extinction, the fostering of educational sentiments in one of the most alluring pursuits and the conservation of one of the great sources of national wealth, to say nothing of the sentimental phase of the question; the profusion of trees and shrubs being an object of pleasure to people generally and instructive to the growing generation. In every civilized country the question of the preservation of plants from all ranks of life and whether from a merely sentimental standpoint, or economic value, it is recognized as a subject deserving of recognition and support at the hands of governments and people. In this connection I may mention the Arnold arboretum at Jamaica Plain, Mass., in connection with Harvard University, under the care of Prof. Sargent, the eminent authority on trees and shrubs, which is of world-wide reputation and of infinite value to the state. This institution has been most successful in the propagation of many varieties of plants in spite of the fact that the climatic conditions are not nearly as favorable as ours, and we may, therefore, reasonably presume that we should be able to propagate many that are impossible of success in the less favored locality.

I had the pleasure and good fortune during my stay in the old country last year to be thrown in contact with many eminent men connected with forestry, amongst them Mr. H. J. Elwes, F.R.S., of Coleborne, Chesh-

enham, who has an extensive estate of some 8,000 acres; F. R. S. Balfour, who has an estate at Stabo, Scotland; Sir Hugh R. Beevor, of Attleborough, in Norfolk, where he has a large extent of forest; Mr. Clinton Baker, of Hereford, who has an estate at Bayfordbury; Prof. A. Henry, of Cambridge; Sir Archibald Buchanan Hepburn, of Sincalton, Scotland, where I saw some good specimens of our native trees; Prof. F. R. S. Balfour, director of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Edinburgh; Prof. Somerville, of Oxford; and the Duke of Argyll, who has been most successful in growing our native trees at his estate in Inverary. Many of the gentlemen mentioned are no strangers to British Columbia, having visited it on many occasions and have for years been experimenting with trees and shrubs from this province, as well as from other parts of the world, and we may, therefore, take it that their verdict is of such a character that we may accept it as one on which implicit reliance can be placed. These gentlemen said that in their opinion no part of the Empire is so well suited for the purpose of an arboretum as Vancouver Island, especially the vicinity of Victoria, and surprise was expressed that no action had so far been taken by the government towards that end and I was assured that every assistance lying in their power would be accorded in case steps were taken towards the establishment of an arboretum at or near Victoria. Mr. Elwes offered to make an address on the subject if agreeable to us. His intention was at that time to stop here in October on his way to the Orient, whither he was proceeding on some forestry investigations. I undertook on behalf of the Natural History Society to get up a representative meeting where he would have an opportunity of meeting our public men. If he were able to carry out his intention, since my return I have received a letter from him in which he said: "I am leaving England on the 7th of December for Formosa, where the Japanese government foresters are going to show me what is considered to be the finest virgin forest in Asia, and where they have a big timber mill now working. I cannot see whether I shall return via B. C. or via Siberia, but I will write to you and arrange to carry out my promise."

Mr. Balfour also wrote under date of December 22 as follows: "I would be glad to hear if my proposal for an arboretum for the province has materialized."

Mr. Elwes, as well as many of the other gentlemen mentioned, offered their services in any way that would further the scheme and promised assistance in the shape of contributions of such trees and shrubs as they have to spare.

Now, Mr. President and members, I submit that as members of the Natural History Society and as Victorians, we would be derelict in our duty did we not take steps towards availing ourselves of the spontaneous offers that have been made and to use every effort by approaching the proper authorities and through the press whereby the establishment of an arboretum near Victoria may be realized. We cannot ignore the verdict of such eminent forest authorities as I have mentioned, confirmatory as it is of our own opinions which we have at various times emphasized, and I particularly wish to remind members of the paper which was presented to the society, entitled, "Evergreen Trees For an Evergreen City," in which it was clearly set forth that Victoria, on account of its climatic conditions and geographical position, is most favorably situated for purposes of growing plants not only of the temperate regions, but many of those of a sub-tropical character. In England, the average temperature of the year is as great as that of our own, but summers in the former country are comparatively moist and more cloudy, so that the young shoots are more spongy and unripened and therefore liable to injury by frost. This accounts for the fact that many trees and shrubs which are comparatively hardy, often fail in the British Isles, and from this circumstance it is alleged by the ex-

perts alluded to that our climatic conditions are ideal for the successful growth of plants generally.

I would suggest, Mr. President, that some action be taken in reference to Mr. Elwes' offer, so that he may be induced to return this way and give his promised address.

RAILWAY BOARD WILL BE ENLARGED

A. S. Goodeve Likely to Be Selected as One of New Commissioners

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Legislation will probably be introduced this session to carry into effect the government's announced policy in regard to the railway commission. The commission is to be extended. It is understood that the proposal does not involve the establishment of a separate commission having jurisdiction in the west. The more likely course is that the present commission will be enlarged by the addition of two members, one of them to be sub-chairman. The commission will thus be large enough to allow the holding of say two sittings in different parts of the country at the same time. Under this plan the commissioners will not be grouped territorially, but will work together as one body, with the whole of Canada as their territory. It will be necessary in the near future to appoint a commissioner to succeed the late Thomas Greenway. For one of the new appointments A. S. Goodeve is prominently mentioned.

At the opening of the House yesterday

day Premier Borden and Sir Wilfrid expressed sympathy for the Royal family in its bereavement.

Hon. W. T. White's tariff commission resolution was put through committee. One new feature was the fact that the three commissioners are to hold office for five years.

"Will the farmers be represented?" inquired Hon. R. Lemieux.

Hon. Mr. White replied that the question of personnel has not yet been settled. It would be a mistake either to exclude or appoint any man on account of his calling.

In reply to questions, Hon. Mr. White said the commission has not exclusive powers, but will secure information for the government to act upon.

Hon. G. E. Foster got a second reading of his grain bill, and the House went into committee on it.

The minister of finance last night gave notice of a resolution providing for additional advance to the Montreal harbor commission up to a total of six million dollars. The money so advanced is to be devoted chiefly to the construction of terminal facilities and to pay off and retire debentures of the commission of the par value of six hundred thousand dollars, maturing at the rate of two hundred thousand dollars per annum in each of the years of 1913-14-15. The commission is to deposit with the minister of finance bonds covering the amount advanced, payable in 25 years at 3½ per cent.

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The handsome Somas hotel at Port Alberni is to be enlarged by the addition of a three-storey block on the Argyle street frontage, built in Tudor style to harmonize with the present building, of steel and reinforced concrete, faced with pressed brick.

Forty-eight rooms are shown in the plan which G. C. Mesher & Company, architects, Pemberton block, are preparing, and below the rooms are three stores. Fireproof construction with interior walls designed by H. C. Ferree, manager for G. C. Mesher & Company, will make the hotel the most substantial and palatial in the upper part of the island.

Bathrooms connect with each bedroom and all that is modern in hotel construction is going into the new addition. The inside walls are of wood and metal laths, bringing the fire risk to the lowest known minimum.

The main entrance of the hotel will be brought to the front of the house on Argyle street. One of the stores is to be occupied as a post and telegraph office and the others are for the general store business of A. E. Waterhouse.



ADDITIONS TO SOMAS HOTEL AT PORT ALBERNI

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Editor:—With the lapse of only a few days I am able to give you a summary of the vital statistics of the city for the year 1911.

Let us first consider the birth rate. In the year 1911 there were 1,000 births registered in the city. This is a decrease of 10 per cent from the year 1910, when there were 1,111 births registered.

Year	Population	Deaths	Mortality per 1,000
1901	16,811	314	18.68
1902	17,232	351	20.36
1903	17,579	362	20.59
1904	17,947	399	22.23
1905	18,311	426	23.26
1906	18,725	457	24.41
1907	19,124	487	25.46
1908	19,534	517	26.47
1909	19,947	547	27.44
1910	20,361	577	28.35
1911	20,775	607	29.22

The foregoing figures have been obtained from official sources, from which, however, as not affecting the public health, the deaths due to the lamontable accident at Point Elsie bridge in 1906 have been deducted.

There is one statement in the other health officer report which is open to criticism. It assumes the death rate for 1911 at eight and one-sixth per thousand. To arrive at this conclusion he has also to assume that 13,280 people have been omitted from the census. With all respect for the doctor, I hold that his assumptions are hardly warranted.

It is difficult to understand on what basis the population can be assumed at between 40 and 50 per cent, more than the official count. Are we to believe that 13,280 people have been omitted by the census takers?

According to the official figures the death rate in 1911 was 11.73 per thousand, or 8.167.

No one can feel certain of the absolute accuracy of the census, but for the sake of argument alone, assuming omissions equal to 5 per cent, which does not appear an illiberal allowance for errors, the death rate per thousand would be 11.74.

While it is disagreeable to criticize, one does not wish to live in a fool's paradise. Better far to face the difficulties and do our best to render Victoria that which it should be, the healthiest city on the continent.

When we examine the details of the report we find certain figures which are by no means subjects for congratulation. There are 31 deaths tabulated as due to syphilitic diseases and tuberculosis, all of which are recognized by sanitarians as preventable diseases. Not to trespass too much on your courtesy, and dealing only with adults between 20 and 65 years of age (see my letter to the Colonist, dated 14th October, 1901), as being of any value to the community, the cash loss to the commonwealth has been in the past year \$28,340 arising from preventable diseases alone.

We cannot estimate the grief and suffering caused by 33 deaths and 1,484 cases of sickness, which did not terminate fatally.

In the ten years 1902 to 1911 inclusive there were 258 deaths from those diseases which, dealing only with adults as before, represents a cash loss to the commonwealth in ten years of over \$250,000. In only two years of this period, 1905 and 1906, has the death rate fallen below 10 per thousand, and it was in these years

that the deaths from syphilitic diseases and tuberculosis were fewest, being 36. In the previous two years they amounted to 72, and in the succeeding two years to 91. In the last two years they have amounted to 106.

EDWARD LOHUN, Sanitary Engineer, Victoria, B. C., 29th January, 1912.

THE ARMY'S WORK.

To the Editor:—May I again trespass on your space to reply to Mr. Martin and the other gentlemen who wrote over non de plumes. These gentlemen seem to assume that the Army is responsible for any poverty or lack of employment there may be in this country on account of their emigration policy, but the Army is only one of many agencies, and as no power can stem the tide of immigration, we believe in bringing in the best class possible.

As to the occasion in Winnipeg when so many who were in need received "hand-outs," as Mr. Martin terms it, they were not "hand-outs," but good secure meals. Very few, if any, of these men were brought out by the Army, and as they were there, what would Mr. Martin have the Army do? Let them go hungry? No! No! There are enough now who talk and pass resolutions and all the rest of it, but while they are doing this and denouncing the Army's plans, autocratic government, etc., we go right on, feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless and rescuing the fallen. I am perfectly willing to read Mr. Manson or Mason's book, if the gentlemen will read the books I referred to in my last letter, but I warn them that if they read with an unprejudiced mind they stand more chance of changing their views than I do, for I speak from an intimate knowledge of the Army, which dates back 25 years, about 14 of which I have been an officer. I am no foe to organized labor, believe in unionism, and when working at my trade was an active union man, but I am opposed to the Godless and infidel theories that are being promulgated under the name of Socialism.

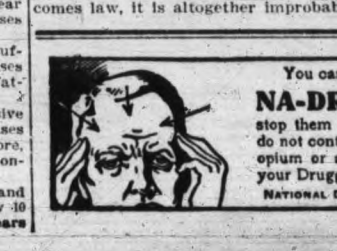
This is not the Socialism of the Bible. Far from it. Well might Mr. Chodzko say: "Such Socialism has nothing to do with religion, but as I am neither 'an idiot nor a hobo,' I quite agree with him that there are many evils existing under the present system, but these will never be remedied by showing the religion of Jesus Christ into the background. Neither do I think that 'poverty causes drink,' but vice versa, and as to the advice offered by 'M. C.' viz.: That 'the Army leave Socialism and emigration severely alone,' it might be a good idea for him and others of his ilk to try their own prescription and leave us and our work severely alone. As to grants, of course we receive grants in British Columbia and elsewhere and give properly audited account of how they are expended, but as to any 'nickels or dimes that are tossed in the collection plates,' they are used for the legitimate expenses of the Victoria corps and local work.

This will be my last word on this subject at present. I have departed now from Salvation Army regulation in noticing these puerile attacks, and I am too busy a man to continue a profitless controversy.

A. D. MACDONALD.

AN ENGLISHMAN AND HOME RULE.

To the Editor: The newspapers are giving a lot of space to the Ulster threatened revolt. I am a Protestant and Cromwellian, but strongly in favor of a strong measure of Home Rule for Ireland, but as for Ulster revolting and making civil war after Home Rule becomes law, it is altogether improbable.



In England your Tory demands the first lie on loyalty and no wave of patriotic enthusiasm is attuned until your Conservative conductor waves the baton.

What the Tory leaders are preaching now are threats, but if Home Rule becomes law they become seditionists, and if they continue in their manifestations they must be sentenced to heavy terms of imprisonment if they continue to inspire revolution. In Canada we have frequently noted that both premiers and members of provincial legislatures have moved in favor of Home Rule for Ireland and appeared on public platforms with prominent Home Rule sympathizers (i. e., T. P. O'Connor), who have travelled through Canada appealing for funds and advocating the cause of Home Rule.

Now, if I were to give advice to the English Tories from the standpoint of a practical politician, I should counsel that it would serve their purpose to bring about Home Rule as soon as possible, for they would then stand a chance of getting into power again. Just as long as they oppose Home Rule, just so long will both the Conservative and Liberal parties be waged by a third and nondescript combination of Irish Home Rulers and Labor leaders.

England's destinies are quite safe in the hands of Mr. Lloyd George, who has been sent by God to heal England from within, to ameliorate the terrible condition of the masses, to cheer up the faint-hearted and poverty-stricken, and after many vicissitudes and obstructions to strenuousness, the empire at its base and show that England itself can be made prosperous and self-supporting by a natural policy of legislation (not disintegration, that his enemies prate about) until a system of complete economic reform is effected.

Under the Tories England dealt a vital and deadly blow at the future, prestige and supremacy of the white races by entering into a compact with a yellow race, who have shown their futility by stirring up trouble in India and declaring that the future control of the Pacific shall become the portion and award of the Asiatic races.

It is not an edifying spectacle to behold John Bull parading with a lady of doubtful virtue on either arm.

On the one hand, Japan, a people with whom we cannot mate, and on the other hand fraternizing with France, a nation that has mocked God and ceased to breed.

Britain is blamed for attempting to isolate Germany, whereas, in view of the yellow menace, it should become the assumed and incumbent duty of every British citizen to strive for a complete rapprochement with the many German people, and strive for the alliance of Britain, Germany, and the United States, thus joining the first time of white defiance to defy the impertinent and self-constituted Asiatic Monroe Doctrine, so sedulously instigated by our quondam friends and allies, the people of Japan.

DANVERS OSBORN.

UNEARTHLY EXPLOSIVES.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 31.—Patrick Boyle, a watchman at the Armour-Swift-Burlington bridge over the Missouri river here, which was dynamited August 23, 1910, has been subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury at Indianapolis. Recently a map drawn by Orrie E. McManigal, showing where he had secreted in a car a five-quart can of nitroglycerine near the bridge, was sent here and following this Boyle found explosives. The bridge which was dynamited was being constructed by a union labor in November of 1910. Boyle also found five quarts of nitroglycerine, caps, fuses and four alarm clocks hidden near the structure.

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SILENCE REIGNS AMONG MINISTERS

CONSERVATIVES ARE AFRAID TO SPEAK

No Policy to Be Carried Out Except by Pallbearers

H. E. G., writing to the Toronto Star from Ottawa under date of January 23, says:

The book that was read with seven seals and the seals that held the prayers of the saints remind one of the present government—they're so different. The book, you will remember, was finally unsealed and the bottled-up prayers of the saints were ultimately uncorked, but the dumb, sad mystery of the Borden cabinet never lifts.

Either they have taken some trap-like aphasia or a dreadful aphasia has befallen them. Loss of memory is theirs; also and other symptoms of early decay. When they do talk, it is of worms and graves and epitaphs, under their breath, and the reporters of the press gallery can't catch it. With a couple of exceptions the cabinet ministers speak in dull, level tones, as if they were deaf as well as tongue-tied. The impression the casual visitor takes away is that the government has been eating lemons and has got its face puckered.

Wanted—A Sign Language. As a government it is dumb before its shepherds—said shepherds being the job-hunters and concession-grabbers in No. 16—and it opens its mouth in the Green Chamber mostly for fear of putting its foot in it.

Obviously what a government of frightened gazelles needs is a sign language. If the King's business could be done that way, why all hell and good. But since it cannot, it must drag on in the same old way, and the reporters must go on guessing from the movements of the cabinet ministers' lips what the government is trying not to say. Bear in mind that the general idea is to say nothing, to do nothing—this session. No policy is to be carried out, except by pallbearers.

The Omens Multiply. Last Friday morning Secretan and the other jolly story-tellers at the Rideau Club got a great scare. They looked out of the window, up the Broad Walk. What a sight met their gaze! The great tower of parliament was white in the face. The clock had stopped at seven minutes to twelve. The Tories said it was the weather. The Grigs had two theories. One was that the devil government child had spread to the clock, which could henceforward do nothing and say nothing, or Monk had fired the man who wound the clock.

Twenty members of parliament could be named who would have made better cabinet ministers than the present outfit—but what's the use of starting a quarrel? They know it without anybody telling them. Sometimes Captain Tom Wallace, Jolly Captain Tom, fat as the fat boy in Pickwick, but not as sleepy, comes down and sits in a cabinet minister's chair. He must have got that itch from his distinguished father. At all events he fills a cabinet chair pretty well, and would make as good a minister as some. As a speaker, Captain Tom has two gifts which single him out as the right cheese for this particular kind of cabinet—an inextinguishable brevity and an admirable incoherence. Talk about words—there you have 'em!

The Voices That Failed. Take Cochrane. If drumming your nervous energy on your desk is eloquence then Cochrane has it, for his fingers are always playing the devil's racket. But when he comes to speaking, a three minutes' flight leaves him winded. Take Monk. He could make speeches as long as your two arms in opposition. He can cover it all in three hundred word units now. Monk wasn't cut out for a Jacobin. All this blood-letting has made him moody.

Take Premier Borden. As a constructive statesman he wants to creep, only a few short creeps at a time. Take Rogers. He could tear off yards of rhetoric in Manitoba. The only time he expands now is over dinner a la carte with Sir William Mackenzie at the Rideau Club, when he asks that wizard of finance if Canada can give him anything he may have forgotten. In the House the Honorable Bob is bone-dry—dry as a prairie slough in August.

Take Forget, Perley, Kemp—they don't need to. Money talks. Take Colonel the Hon. Sam. What in the private was but a choleric word is responsible statement in the minister of militia. Gone is that quiet and dash. Words must be weighed now. But you

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The Case of George Foster. Take George E. Foster. Surely, says somebody, the fountains of this great deep have not dried up? They have. That is to say, the fountains are there, but they're not being utilized. One reason is that all the residuary wisdom of all the Conservative cabinets, including the nest of vipers, from John Macdonald's down, harbors in George Foster's bosom. What secrets, what sorrows are his? He is as wise as the Wandering Jew. He is the heir of all knowledge. These novice cabinetiers come to him with their troubles. From his vast experience he smiles sadly at them, as if were at children who do not know the long, rough road before them. He gives them advice. Yes, that is his new role. He is Father Confessor, and as confessor his lips are sealed. What is one reason why George Foster speaks seldom and shortly. Another reason is that Foster is the oldest man in the cabinet. He has said it all and said it well. Why should he say it again? Nobody can imagine George E. Foster drifting into a gentle, tolerant, Will-o'-the-mill frame of mind in his old age. But hereafter he will listen about that the habit of reticence will grow on him and that he will despise speech more and more, and finally pass out without even a dying word.

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ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER FOR DUNCAN

Company is Now Being Formed
—Tennis Club to Present Challenge Cup

Duncan, Jan. 31.—A meeting of the executive of the Duncan lawn tennis club was held on Friday morning last. It was decided at the next annual tournament of the club to give a challenge cup to be called the Championship of Vancouver Island to be open to all amateur players in gentlemen's singles. A good sum was subscribed by those present to buy the trophy.

U. M. S. Rainbow arrived at Cowichan bay at sundown on Monday. A dance arranged by the men of the district was held at "Wilcuna" Mr. Lane's residence last evening. This evening the officers will be entertained at a smoking concert to be given in their honor by the Cowichan County club in Duncan.

C. M. Rolston, M. D., accompanied by his wife arrived on Saturday. The wedding took place in Winnipeg and was very quiet owing to a recent bereavement in the bride's family. Mrs. Rolston is the daughter of the late Capt. G. D. Mitchell and grand daughter of General Sir David Balfour.

A movement is on foot to form a company to supply Duncan with electric light and power. The promoters expect to have the town lighted by electricity before next autumn. Until cheaper power can be obtained the power will be generated by steam.

MINING DEAL.

Syndicate Secures Claims on Queen Charlotte Islands—\$125,000 Involved.

Prince Rupert, Jan. 31.—One of the largest mining deals made locally for some considerable time has just been completed between D. R. Mac and Joe Davis, of this city, and E. L. Morgan, who represents a strong Winnipeg syndicate of mining investors and operators.

The deal, which involves a consideration of \$125,000, transfers six valuable copper-gold claims one and a half miles from Lockport, on the Queen Charlotte Islands, to the syndicate represented by Mr. Morgan.

The claims are situated at an altitude of 3,000 feet, and of the vein they include is 120 feet wide. The ore is of the same quality as that being handled at Goose Bay, and as development proceeds on the claims will probably be sent for smelting to Goose Bay, when the smelter is erected there.

Mr. Morgan, on behalf of the Winnipeg syndicate, states that in May development work will be commenced on the claims with machinery and a force of 25 men.

TAKE OPTIONS ON LAND.

Otter Point, Jan. 31.—D. Campbell, of Colwood, and H. Elia, of Victoria, have secured options on the properties of H. Berger, James Porter, Thomas Robinson, Miligan, Mrs. Porter and others, between Sooke and Otter Point. It has been reported the intention was to establish a game preserve on this block of properties, but it is believed something is to do with the movement.

Last summer the Michigan Pacific Lumber Company had surveyors in the field laying out possible railway routes between their large timber limits at Jordan river and Sooke harbor. The properties mentioned lie on the most feasible route and contain much merchantable timber. The lumber company is at present erecting a large hotel at Sooke.

Mr. Campbell, the new road superintendent of Esquimalt district, paid an official visit to this vicinity last week.

A. J. Dods, of Victoria, has purchased the farm here of W. A. Dods.

AUTO FIRE ENGINES ARE RECOMMENDED

Nanaimo Fire Wardens Urge Council to Secure New Apparatus

Nanaimo, Jan. 31.—That the Nanaimo fire department is antiquated and out of date is the conclusion arrived at by the fire wardens of the city council who have investigated thoroughly into the subject and find most of the apparatus needs replacing. The chairman of the committee, Ald. Ferguson, reported on the subject to the council at the weekly meeting, the request being laid on the table for one week in order that the aldermen have an opportunity of looking into the recommendation submitted. The report in part follows:

We, your fire wardens committee beg to report having made a thorough enquiry into the affairs of the department, and in presenting estimates of requirements for the year wish to state that we think it is imperative that the department be completely equipped with an entirely new outfit of fire fighting apparatus. The present apparatus is mostly out of date, nearly worn out and should be disposed of at once. It will require a large expenditure to renew the present apparatus and even then it will be old-fashioned, out of date and in view of present-day conditions and the growth of the city, entirely inadequate and inefficient.

We wish to point out that if present conditions continue, the insurance companies will inevitably increase their rates, and in a short time exact from us a vastly larger sum than will pay for the latest and best equipment for our fire department. We would therefore recommend:

1st.—That the whole of the present apparatus be dispensed with except the ladder and truck and, possibly, the engine, which might be fixed up and held in reserve.

2nd.—That a new auto chemical engine and hose cart and a new auto pumping engine and hose cart combined be obtained together with necessary fittings and such other appliances as may be found necessary.

The cost of these two engines will be approximately \$16,500 and other useful and necessary apparatus may bring this somewhat beyond this sum. We realize that this is beyond our revenue for the year but believing it is imperative that the fire department be equipped with the latest and most modern appliances, we have no hesitation in recommending that a by-law be prepared and submitted to the ratepayers asking them to sanction the borrowing of the sum of \$20,000 to enable us to secure these engines and otherwise put the department in proper shape.

PROPOSED PARK.

Nanaimo, Jan. 31.—At the weekly meeting of the city council, on motion of Ald. Forrester, the committee "to which was entrusted the question of the sea wall, was instructed to interview the W. F. Co., in reference to the purchase of a strip of land between Comox road and the Millstream for park purposes, and on motion of Ald. McInnes the same committee was instructed to have the city engineer prepare rough plans for a breakwater extending from Jacks Point to the loading wharves which would allow of the reclamation of the Nanaimo river flats for industrial purposes, etc.

A committee was appointed to look into the question of having the suburbs seek annexation into the city limits, the committee being instructed to report as soon as possible.

The finance committee submitted the following report:

Your finance committee believe it will be in the interest of the city to have the real estate assessment roll thoroughly revised, and as we do not think the city assessor has the time to do this work and attend to his other equally important duties as collector, we beg to recommend that two competent persons be appointed to make a thorough revision of the values of the real estate of the city as to land and improvements. And as this will require prompt action on the part of the council, we further recommend that applications be invited for doing the work, applicants to state the amount of remuneration desired.

The report was received and the clerk instructed to insert advertisements in Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo papers calling for applications for the positions of temporary assessors.

NEW CHURCH OPENED.

New Westminster, Jan. 31.—There was a large attendance at the formal opening of the new Sixth avenue Methodist church Sunday, and the accommodation of the new edifice was taxed to its utmost. During the day \$1,000 was collected, which will be applied to the building fund. Only about \$1,500 more is required to enable the congregation to pay off the building expenses, totalling \$24,000, with the exception of \$5,000, which was raised on a long-term loan. Rev. A. E. Roberts, of Chilliwack, president of the conference, preached in the morning, and Rev. R. Newton Powell, of Vancouver, in the evening.

KASLO CHERRY SHOW.

Nelson, Jan. 31.—Kaslo will hold a fair devoted entirely to cherries on July 31 next, according to an announcement made by J. W. Cockle. "This will probably be the first cherry fair ever held in Canada," he declared, "and the competitions will be open to the world. We expect to have on display thousands of boxes, cartons and bottles of cherries grown in all parts of the district." The show will be under the auspices of the Kaslo Fruitgrowers' Association.

PLAN TRAMLINE TO BOUNDARY LINE

Proposal Submitted to Delta Council—Power for Commercial Use

New Westminster, Jan. 31.—A proposition for the construction of a tramline from Vancouver to Delta and thence to Huntingdon, on the international boundary, was laid before the Delta council at its last meeting by a deputation from the International Railway & Development Company. The directorate of the company, it was stated, consisted of prominent men of Vancouver and vicinity, while the capital for the project had been subscribed in England. Some \$900,000 was now on deposit in a bank in London. The deputation asked permission of the council to build along the Delta dykes. Their object, they said, was to get into New Westminster without unnecessary conflict with the British Columbia Electric railway. The project includes the construction of a steel bridge across the Fraser river and the development of a large amount of power for commercial use.

The reverend assured the deputation that the council was as eager for the development of the delta as any company could be. He suggested that a concrete proposal be made and assured the deputation that their scheme would meet with treatment as favorable as the powers of the council could make it.

SWEEPING CHANGES.

Rossland, Jan. 31.—At last week's meeting of the city council a resolution was moved by Alderman Embleton, seconded by Alderman Piester, that the council declare vacant all positions at present held by the city employees who are paid by the month; second, that the several duties now performed by them, be rearranged under new heads and that applications to fill the new positions be called for.

The resolution was the first intimation received by the general public, of whom there was a large attendance, of the changes intended to be made this year in the conduct of the city's affairs.

The officers whose occupants are paid by the month include city clerk and treasurer, chief of police, chief of fire department, city assessor and superintendent of waterworks, city auditor, medical health officer, street foreman, two foremen, sanitary driver and police officer.

SENT TO PENITENTIARY.

Vancouver, Jan. 31.—In the police court yesterday, Louis Donald, who was captured last Friday morning while in the act of stealing from the Sun Ban, was sentenced by Magistrate Shaw to seven years in the penitentiary.

All code books carried in warships have been taken to make them sink should the vessel be wrecked.

TENDERS

Separate tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 3 p. m. Monday, Feb. 5, 1912, for 12 dump carts and 12 sets dump cart harness.

Carts and harness to be same as those now being used for garbage purposes by the Health Department, and can be seen at stables on the wharf at the west end of Herald street.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, Jan. 26th, 1912.

Public Convenience

Applications, accompanied by testimonials and references, will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday next, the 5th proximo, at 2 p. m., for the position of caretakers of the public convenience at the corner of Wharf and Government streets. The appointment is subject to the following conditions, namely:

- (a) The caretakers are to have the privilege of carrying on a boot and shoe blacking stand in each compartment on each day of the week, except on Sunday.
- (b) Caretakers to furnish towels and soap.
- (c) The city to furnish light and heat.
- (d) The convenience to be kept open from 7 a. m. to 12 o'clock midnight.

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WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.
City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., 27th day of January, 1912.

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"Notwithstanding anything contained in the Municipal Clauses Act or in any by-law of the Corporation, it shall be lawful for the Municipal Council to expend for the maintenance and up-keep of the Public Library, such sum as the Municipal Council may direct, not exceeding in any one year, one-quarter of one mill on the dollar of the assessed value of real property in the Corporation."

And further notice will be given of the time and place of the sitting of the Private Bill Committee when the said clause will be sought to be inserted in the said Private Bill.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1912.
F. A. McLEARMID, City Solicitor.

TENDERS

For Wharf and Motor Garbage Truck

1. Tenders will be received up to 3 p. m. on Monday, February 5th, 1912, for the extension of the garbage wharf at the foot of Herald street, in accordance with the specification and plans which can be seen at the office of the purchasing agent.

2. Also for the supplying of a Motor Garbage Truck in accordance with the conditions to be seen at the office of the undersigned, to whom tenders must be addressed. The parties tendering for the above shall furnish full particulars, blue print drawings and specifications of truck they propose supplying, and guarantee same as to

speed, capacity and against defects which may develop within a period of six months.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, January 26th, 1912.

Gasoline Required

Tenders will be received up to February 5th, at 3 p. m., for a quantity of Gasoline, of Engine Oil and Crown. There was used last year about 5,000 gallons. The parties tendering for the above will require to deliver the above in about 90-gallon lots and placed in the tank at market yard when required. State separate price for each kind; and also a quantity of Lubricating Oil so much per gallon in barrel lots. Sample can be seen at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, January 26th, 1912.

To Printers

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for printing and binding the Annual Report of the City. Copy of manuscript and number of copies required can be seen at the City Clerk's office. Tenders to be delivered to the undersigned up to 3 p. m. on Monday, the 5th of February.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent.
City Hall, January 26th, 1912.

City Solicitor Wanted

Applications, accompanied by testimonials, references and photograph, will be received at the office of the undersigned, until Wednesday, the 21st day of February, 1912, at 2 p. m., for the position of Solicitor for the Corporation of the City of Victoria. Salary at the rate of \$5,000 per year. The Corporation reserves the right to reject any or all applications.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.
City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., 27th January, 1912.

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REAL ESTATE

LOT, Victoria West, \$500; terms, cash \$150, balance \$350 per month, lot 40x140, road, 41 by 131, near Hillside avenue, \$1,000, on terms to suit purchaser. Lot 59 by 160, one minute from end of Douglas street car line, \$600. Five-acre lot, Mill Bay, Saanich Arm, 46 ft. water frontage, a snap at \$500 on terms to suit purchaser. Lot 20 by 125, just off Clark road, price \$800; terms, 1-3 cash, balance 6, 12, 18 months. Hinkson Sidiell & Son, 622 Johnson St., Victoria. Members of Real Estate Exchange.

CHEAPEST BUY on Douglas St., this side of Founant, double frontage, through to Government, 657x75, revenue producing. Price till Saturday \$20,000; terms, 1-3 cash, balance spread over five years. If you want this you will have to hurry. 7 delays are dangerous. Gordon Block, 620 Broughton St., Pemberton Bldg.

CHAMBERS STREET—Lot 56x125, 2-4 mile from city hall; price only \$11,000; easy terms. Gordon Block, 620 Broughton St., Pemberton Bldg.

JAMES RAY—Double corner, close to outer wharf, 220x110, with several small dwellings. Price for quick sale \$25,000, \$5,000 cash, balance \$20,000. Gordon Block, 620 Broughton St., Pemberton Bldg.

ANQUITH STREET—2 lots, 56x130, for \$700 each. Law, Butler & Bayly, 1007 Government St.

10 ACRES good land, 1-2 miles from Duncan Station and on main wagon road, \$200. Law, Butler & Bayly, 1007 Government St.

AVENUE ST.—Near Ryan St., \$650. Law, Butler & Bayly, 1007 Government St.

WANTED—Fort George lots. We have cash buyers for them. We have legal description of lot quick. Natural Resources, B. C. Ltd., Bowker Bldg., Vancouver, B. C.

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DOUGLAS ST. SPECIAL—132 feet frontage by 275 feet in depth; only \$25,000; easy terms. See us at once. Daily & Lawson, 615 Port Street.

CEDAR HILL ROAD—New house, six rooms, \$5,000; terms easy; \$800 cash. Daily & Lawson, 615 Port Street.

GOLF LINKS PARK—Two lots on Oak land road, 56x110 each, all cleared, no rock, cheapest on the street. Price \$1,450 for the two. J. C. Browne, 412 Esplanade Bldg.

WANTED—Listings on Montrose, Torso or Blackwood, near the reservoir. At least 4-room house in Victoria, West, small cash payment. Investors Securities Company, 1315 Douglas St.

DON'T BELIEVE IT—An 8-room residence on car line, lot 51x110, fine view of water and mountains, all for \$2,100. Stinson Real Estate Co.

ACREAGE—Beautiful here lots on the 2-1/2 mile circle, at \$1,000 and \$1,500 each. Stinson Real Estate Co.

ROCK BAY—Two good residences on lot 60x120, for \$5,500. Stinson Real Estate Co., 345 Ward Block.

BLACKWOOD—Beautiful lots on this street near Cook and Hillside, for \$1,500 each, exclusively by Stinson Real Estate Co.

FLAVARA ST.—Lot 98x130, near Oswego St., for \$2,100, by Stinson Real Estate Co.

ACREAGE—30 acres in Sooke district, at \$10 an acre. Stinson Real Estate Co.

FRAIRIE MAN'S PRIZE—Five 9-room new residence, 2 toilets, furnace, etc., thoroughly modern and on Cook St., facing Beacon Hill Park. Small sheltered location, for \$19,000; only by Stinson Real Estate Co.

ASHOUST ST.—Two beautiful lots at \$750 each, on terms of \$200 cash. Stinson Real Estate Co.

DALLAS ROAD—A fine corner for \$2,100, and on a little lot for \$200. Stinson Real Estate Co.

STORMED WITH CUSTOMERS—Our offices are just stormed with business people these days, for reasons which we are too modest to hush about. We want a few more good salesmen. Stinson Real Estate Co.

SEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE on Edmondson road, \$2,500, easy terms. Jalland Bros., 622 Johnson St.

CONSERVATIVES IN CAUCUS AT CAPITAL

Renewal of Steel Bounties Discussed—Reciprocity Rumor Denied

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—There was a ministerial caucus this morning at which it is stated, one of the chief matters under discussion was the question of renewal of the steel bounties. Representations have been made to the government by steel companies to the effect that pending an inquiry into the steel industry by the permanent tariff commission, to be named, a bounty of 90 cents per ton should be given on pig iron. That is the bounty that was paid up to the end of 1910. As the minister of finance must make his budget speech in the course of a short time, it is necessary for the government to come to a decision one way or the other, and so the matter was today laid before the caucus and members given an opportunity to express their views. No official announcement was made when the caucus broke up.

The sessional programme was also discussed at length and a general desire expressed to bring the session to an early termination as "possibly" much of course depends on the attitude of the opposition. J. E. Armstrong presided.

In government circles it is stated that there is no foundation for the report that Premier Borden has intimated to the Washington government that Canada is desirous of entering into a limited reciprocity treaty with the United States. No such intimation has been given to the Washington authorities. Premier Borden when seen this morning said: "There is absolutely no foundation for the report."

CHARGE AGAINST DARROW.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—Technical motions, attacking the two bribery indictments, will be made to-morrow on both of the indictments against Clarence S. Darrow when the former chief counsel for the McNamara brothers is arraigned before Presiding Judge Geo. H. Hutton of the Superior court.

Darrow said to-day that his attorneys were preparing a demurrer. They will also move to dismiss the two indictments.

These two preliminary moves will be made of record, merely to preserve Darrow's rights as a defendant, his attorneys asserting that they want a verdict of "not guilty" not one of "not proven" which would be the result of the dismissal of the case before they could go to a trial jury.

"I always expected Bert H. Franklin would be a state's witness," said LeCompte Davis to-day.

Franklin denied to-day statements that he had confessed while on an automobile ride with Ford on January 11. The defendant still refused to say "yes" or "no" to the question: "Have you confessed?"

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—Winnipeg bank clearings for the month show an increase of thirty-five million dollars over the same month a year ago. Figures for January for the past three years are as follows: 1910, \$69,703,144; 1911, \$76,019,597; 1912, \$110,292,506.

A scientist has discovered that children and other have a wonderful power in awakening the animal world asleep in a closed flower can be reopened instantly by either of these agents.

REAL ESTATE.

THE CHEAPEST HOUSE in Fairfield Estate, 3-1/2 acres, on large lot, 63x125, to a lane at the back, on Chapin street, \$2,750, small cash payment, balance easy. Jalland Bros., 622 Johnson St.

Snap on Sixth St.—Lot 56x125, with a shack; only \$900; easy terms. Jalland Bros., 622 Johnson St.

SIX-ROOMED HOUSE on Edmondson road, only \$2,000, \$300 cash, balance easy. Jalland Bros., 622 Johnson St.

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FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET, also 2 rooms, unfurnished house, \$30 per month. Hinkson Sidiell & Son, 622 Johnson St., Victoria.

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THE BEA KETTLE will be open to-night for light refreshments after the Choral Society concert.

TO RENT—Large office. Apply Pioneer Realty, 1208 Government St.

TO RENT—Store on Pandora Ave. Apply No. 2.

FOR SALE—Good, sound family or delivery horse, 1000 lbs., buggy and harness. Free on lot or low stock. Acton Bros., Grocers, Yates St.

TO LET—Furnished room, large front room, in new, modern, furnace-heated house, close in, suitable for business man, cash, telephone, etc.; reasonable terms. 2197 Blanchard St.

WANTED TO RENT—Eight or 10-room house, close in. Apply H. White, Belmont, P. O.

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CLARK—On the 21st inst., at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancelot, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Clark, of 221 Oaklands avenue, aged 33 years, born in England.

The funeral will take place on Friday, Feb. 2nd, at 2 p. m., from the residence, 221 Oaklands avenue, and 2:30 at St. Luke's cemetery.

Friends please accept this intimation. Flowers left at the office of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Co. will be delivered.

GREENWOOD—On January 28th, Catherine Greenwood, aged 84 years, widow of the late Captain John Greenwood.

The funeral will take place on Friday at 2:30 p. m. from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. John, 368 Queen's avenue, Rev. Mr. Clay will officiate. Interment at Ross Bay cemetery.

UPHEAVAL IN THE CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

Messrs. Stutchbury and O'Meara Have Been Discharged—Sensational Developments Expected at City Hall—Where Will Axe Fall Next?

Dramatic events have occurred during the last twenty-four hours in the city engineering department, coincident with the commencement of the investigation of the special committee appointed on Monday to look into the work of the various civic departments, and which the public regarded as directly aimed at conditions in the department of works which has received so large a measure of attention during the past eighteen months.

Stutchbury Goes. Yesterday, after conference with some members of the city council, the new chief clerk, William T. Stutchbury, who was appointed only last November by the engineer himself under the powers of the by-law vesting all appointments with Mr. Smith, and took office on November 15, was called upon to resign immediately, but intimated to Mr. Smith that he should



W. T. STUTCHBURY
Chief clerk in City Engineer's Department, called upon to resign.

take a day to consider matters, holding that there was nothing in his actions, professional or otherwise, which warranted such a drastic step.

O'Meara, Too. This morning Assistant Engineer O'Meara, who has charge of the sewers department, and who engaged in a fistie encounter with his chief only

EIGHT MINERS INJURED.

Cage Drops 200 Feet Down Shaft of Mine in Illinois.

Danville, Ill., Jan. 31.—Eight men were injured, four seriously, by the falling of a mine cage crowded with men going to work in the Electric coal mine, six miles west of Danville to-day.

The cage dropped a distance of about 200 feet. It was stated by mine owners that the engineer in charge of the cage lost control of the machinery causing one cage with its human freight to drop to the bottom of the shaft and the other, coming up, empty to be thrown from the mouth of the mine.

STRIKERS ARRESTED.

Lisbon, Jan. 31.—Proclamation of martial law here and the arrest of more than 1,000 of the most active among the agitators, including all the members of the strike committee, has virtually broken the backbone of the general strike which began on Monday in sympathy with the street car employees of Evora, province of Alemgo.

The repressive influence of militia under command of General Carvalhal, who had 5,000 troops under his orders, has quelled the strikers, but apparently they were not of a deadly nature, as no casualties have been reported.

ALLEGED WHITE SLAVERY.

Winnipeg, Jan. 31.—"Arrest me that man," said Chief Morality Officer Eddie to Sergeant of Detectives Smith in the police court to-day, leaning over and tapping one of the audience on the shoulder. The man is alleged to be one of the most notorious white slave traffickers on the continent, sought for by police of every city from New York to Vancouver, but supposed to have slipped for Europe. Collins is his present alias and Eddie recognized him from a Police Gazette photograph.

FEAR OUTBREAK.

Paris, Jan. 31.—Fears of an outbreak in Pekin are increasing according to official advice received by the French government to-day. The French legation says that many wealthy Chinese have, within the last two days, brought large quantities of their treasures into the foreign concession and asked protection for their lives and property.

Of 3,500 fires in Chicago up to November 1st, for which the causes were fixed, 367 were due to the careless use of matches.

Sugar consumed in the United States last year amounted to 7,222,532,746 pounds, compared with 6,925,722,302 pounds in 1905.

last Thursday, in which the peace-maker was the chief clerk himself, was called upon to resign immediately. The peremptory demand for his retirement, after the intimation that an investigation committee was to sit, caused him some surprise, although he had intimated to the mayor last week his willingness to retire, but had been prevailed upon to continue till the investigation had been held.

Needless to say that the relations between the city engineer and his assistant, who has been engaged in sewer work for the past six and a half years, have never been cordial. The rearrangement of the offices, by which the three departments into which the field work was divided, was reduced to two, is not believed to have impaired Mr. Stutchbury was responsible for this reduction in staff, a consequence of which was that J. P. Holcroft, who had had charge of one of three departments, left the service at the end of December. There were thus two sections of the field work, of which one was in charge of Mr. O'Meara, and the other handled through Mr. O'Grady.

Work Handicapped.

Mr. O'Meara was somewhat prepared for an announcement by the dismissal at the end of last week of six members of the field staff. Mr. Westcott, who has had special charge of the surface drainage, and will be a difficult man to replace, found another position at once, but the others will not be so fortunate. The other five men affected are Rixon, Leveiler, McFarlane and Rothwell, roddman and chairman; Parker and Ward, chainmen. The result is as they all came from Mr. O'Meara's department that the sewers' section is absolutely handicapped for men, and the department is at a standstill.

The men are dismissed on the ground of economy, and on reference to the mayor, are informed that the city engineer has complete control of the department, as is undoubtedly the case under the by-law.

As already stated these names do not represent all the men let out on Saturday, as Monckton Case, reporting on Monday, found the result of a job, although he declares that he was unaware his services had terminated.

Waiting Developments.

The department is not so large but that the removal of all these men cripple it, but the seriousness of the situation requires attention at once from members of the council themselves. Meanwhile with the sentence of compulsory resignation hanging over their heads the two officials, Messrs. Stutchbury and O'Meara, are about their work, waiting developments.

Valentine's Social.—The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Mark's church, Boleskin road, intend holding a social in the parish hall on Wednesday, February 14 (St. Valentine's Day). There will be a short musical programme, a stall for the sale of valentines, candies, etc., a post office, with prompt and frequent delivery. Refreshments will be served, and an autograph quilt, upon which the ladies have spent a great deal of time and energy, will be offered for sale by auction. The proceeds will be devoted to the fund for painting and repairing the church.

Mr. Doughty Here.—To prepare for the establishment of a big fishing enterprise for the development of the fishing industry of this province, Wilfred Vere Doughty, son of Sir George Doughty, the great English fish magnate, has arrived in this city accompanied by F. H. Rosher. The fishing plants are to be erected, but the fleet of trawlers to be sent to this coast from England to engage in the business will not leave until the Grand Trunk Pacific transcontinental railway is completed.

It is the intention of the company, says Mr. Doughty to do a big business in fish oil and fertilizer. The company will employ as much white labor as possible.

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ABOLITION OF ALDERSHOT.

New Military Centre to Be Established Nearer North Coast.

A topic of the utmost importance to the British army as a whole is under discussion at the clubs at the present time, says a writer in the Pall Mall Gazette. This is nothing more nor less than the abolition of Aldershot as the chief military station in England, and the formation of a new centre in the eastern counties within easy striking distance of the coast. This scheme, it may be added, is growing in favor every day, and already numbers of well-known soldiers are among its adherents, including several who have held important commands at Aldershot. It is pointed out that the conditions have totally changed since Aldershot was selected as the chief military station at home, and that troops could only be transported thence to the east coast with considerable difficulty.

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LOCAL NEWS

Custom Returns.—Showing a slight increase over the figures for December the custom returns for the past month total approximately \$144,681.30. The amount collected at different points on the Island was nearly \$600.

Basketball at Y. M. C. A.—The Bible Class and Y. M. C. A. basketball leagues open with the three games at the Y. M. C. A. this evening. The Centennial and Metropolitan Bible classes meet at 8 o'clock, and the first of the association games between No. 1 and No. 2 teams starts at 8:40. The second is between No. 3 and No. 4 teams.

No Appointments Yet.—The police and alderman commissioners for the city are not yet appointed by the provincial government. The mayor is ex-officio chairman of both bodies, and an alderman has to be named, the other official being in the discretion of the government. The names, however, are expected to be gazetted at an early date.

Skates Ground.—Skates, hollow-ground, J. Waites, 644 Port street. Phone 446.

Ross Bay Seawall.—A portion of the new concrete wall at Ross Bay was washed away during the night last week in the progress of a storm, and has had to be replaced by the contractors, the Westholme Lumber Company. The portion was the new section under Dallas road, and had only been laid the previous night. It was not a serious matter, but might easily have held up the completion of the work, which is progressing satisfactorily.

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TOWN PLANNING
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Ex-Mayor Morley on Future Prospects of Victoria If Developed Along Useful Lines

Ex-Mayor Morley made a strong plea for system in place of "casual" growth in the development of municipal life, and particularly of a town-planning system in connection with this city at a well-attended luncheon given yesterday afternoon at the Westholme grill under the auspices of the Real Estate Exchange.

The president, Beaumont Boggs, in

and unity of action, and with Esquimalt, North Victoria and Oak Bay, avoid them working at cross purposes, and in direct opposition on many matters. They had to consider these things in connection with a Greater Victoria scheme. To begin with, they had an unrivalled site, the very best foundations to work upon, and they had a city which had progressed rapidly, but they would admit they were not getting dollar for dollar expended upon its development, although large sums of money had apparently been spent in permanent works.

In some respects they had progressed. They had an abundant supply of water available—(applause)—and a sewerage scheme was advancing, while the very fact that they had to provide for the outside districts was a justification for a greater city scheme. Comprehensive planning was essential, and as the city had obtained world-wide publicity through the actions of the old Tourist Association, and later the Development League, and the actions of some of their members in advertising, they must be able to show results to the people who came. Victoria was losing something of the type of the original small picturesque city of the past, and taking new form, but they were



EX-MAYOR MORLEY, WHO ADDRESS THE REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE YESTERDAY.

opening the proceedings, said that on the occasion of their last lunch the membership was about one hundred, and they had since grown to over one hundred and seventeen, with also a handsome deposit at the bank. Before the last election they had decided to invite the ex-mayor to address them on the subject of Greater Victoria, and whatever differences of opinion they might have had with the late mayor, he hoped they would give him every attention in the matters he had to lay before them. (Applause.)

Appeal to Business Men.

The ex-mayor, who was well received, said he was glad to have before him a representative business body who were more directly concerned with the building up of the city of Victoria than any other class of its citizens. In a city, as in business, they might be able to handle their goods for a time without any substance behind, but they could not always do business on excitement and speculative values. To sum up the reasons why he was first concerned about Greater Victoria he would say that he had come to realize that in order to approach every question they must include in their plans the whole of what would ultimately become a part of the city—our immediate surroundings. The second point was if they would have a city they must have complete control of their public utilities, and lastly they had to choose now and later between unity of interest

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WITNESS REFUSES TO
ANSWER QUESTIONS

Woman Warned by Judge During Trial of "Starvation Doctor"

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 31.—After the cross-examination of Miss Nellie Sherman had proceeded tediously for an hour and a half in the case of Mrs. Linda Burfield Hazzard, on trial at Port Orchard, witness refused to answer some questions and replied evasively to others. Counsel for the prosecution then asked that the court take a recess, as he had important information to impart to the judge. The recess was taken. Counsel told Judge Yakey that his associate counsel and others in the courtroom had observed Mrs. Hazzard making signals to Miss Sherman. The judge instructed the bailiff to keep close watch on Mrs. Hazzard.

Miss Sherman, who is about 59 years old, was reluctant to answer the state's questions, and sometimes 15 minutes would be required to extract information from her on a single point. The court warned her that a penalty would be imposed if she refused to make replies. Witness admitted that she had said to a friend, Mrs. Spence, that Claire Williamson needed meat broth. She admitted also that she had previously nursed a patient of Mrs. Hazzard, and that the patient had died. She admitted telling Dr. Augusta Brewer that she was giving Claire Williamson only asparagus and tomato broths and orange juice, and when asked to harmonize this statement with her previous statement that she had given raisins, nuts and fruit to Claire, she explained that in her conversation with Dr. Brewer she referred to the diet of only one certain day. Witness denied that she had said to Miss Corrigan that Mrs. Hazzard was starving the Williamson sisters to death, and also denied saying: "I am in it and have got to stay."

Witness admitted saying to Miss Cook, wife of a grocer, that "she had never had such a case before," and thought it possible that she had admitted that she would never take another such case. Witness was asked if she had not said to Miss Corrigan that Mrs. Hazzard was starving the Williamson sisters to death, and also denied saying: "I am in it and have got to stay."

During the recess asked for by the prosecution, Miss Sherman was in earnest consultation with the two lawyers for the defense. When she went on the stand again she was asked by the prosecution to tell what happened at this conference. Witness could not remember distinctly. She was asked why she remembered events of a year ago so well and had forgotten those of a few moments before. Witness finally said that counsel for the defense had employed the recess in exhorting her to tell the truth.

WAGES OF STEEL WORKERS.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—That sixty per cent. of the employees of the United States Steel Corporation in the Pittsburgh district earn less than the actual cost of subsistence of the average American family in Pittsburgh was the calculation made at the steel trust hearing yesterday by Louis B. Brandeis.

"The Associated Charities of Pittsburgh have compiled the cost of bare existence of a family of a husband, wife and three children in the city at \$768 a year," he said. "By working twelve hours a day, 365 days in the year, sixty-five per cent. of the steel workers there earn \$11.50 less than the amount actually required for the bare cost of living."

Mr. Brandeis declared that in ten years the steel corporation had taken from the American people \$550,000,000 in excess of a large profit of its investment.

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NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims against the estate of Charles McKivers Smith, late of Victoria, British Columbia, who died on 24th November, 1911, and whose will has been proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia by Robert Charles Smith, the executor therein named, are hereby required to send particulars of their claims to the undersigned on or before the 31st April, 1912, after which date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice; and all persons indebted to the deceased are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

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SCIENCE IN 1911.

Geographical Exploration Reveals Many Interesting Discoveries.

Geographical research has been vigorously carried on in most parts of the world, but a large part of it has been devoted to the delimitations of frontiers, but there are still certain huge tracts of country that await exploration. The great island of New Guinea has received a large amount of attention. That part of it which is British had scarcely been touched by the explorer before its government was undertaken a few years ago by the Australian Commonwealth. Since then expeditions have been sent to the interior from England, Germany, America and Australia. Two of these expeditions have brought descriptions of pygmy races that inhabit the southern slopes of a central range of mountains. A large part of this area consists of a jagged, porous limestone, cut up by ravines, and undermined by underground streams, but much still remains to be done before any adequate knowledge of either the geography, anthropology, or zoology of the island is understood. The most important of Polar expeditions are those under Captains Scott and Amundsen. Each of these reached their bases in the Antarctic Continent about the end of 1910. After being impeded by severe weather, Captain Scott reached his winter quarters at Cape Evans, McMurdo Sound, early in January. He had intended to land a party for the exploration of King Edward VII. Land. This was found impracticable, but before returning North Lieutenant Rennell left a wintering party at Cape Adare, and discovered new mountainous land to the west of the Cape.

The other expedition, under Captain Amundsen, formed its base near the edge of the great ice barrier in longitude 144 deg. W., and at the time when the Fram sailed for Buenos Ayres, it was about to start on a southern journey for the purpose of laying depots. During the next few months an attempt will be made to reopen communication with both expeditions, and we shall then know what success has attended their efforts. A German expedition, under Lieutenant Filchner, started last November with the intention of pushing south on the opposite side of the South Polar region from that chosen by the British and Norwegian parties.

There is a land crab in Cuba that can rival the ostrich in speed, and go much faster than a horse.

TROLLEY CARS COLLIDE.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 31.—A score of persons were injured here when a trolley car ran away on a grade and crashed into another car filled with passengers. The vestibule of the runaway car took fire from the stove and Motorman Sandison whose foot was cut off at the ankle, for a time was pinned in the burning wreckage, but was released before the flames touched him.

TWO ASPHYXIATED.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 31.—James Kamada, aged 28, head chef of the Y.M.C.A., a Japanese, and his wife, Yule, were found dead in bed yesterday in a room in a hotel in the Japanese quarter. Gas was pouring into the room from a defective hose-fitting. Death had undoubtedly been accidental by asphyxiation.